

# Gulfshore Bible Conference Ready

Final plans have been completed for the annual Gulfshore Bible Conference to be held Aug. 11-15 at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly, Pass Christian, Mississippi.



Dr. Evans, pastor of First Baptist Church, Ocala, Fla., will be the principal speaker for the morning service while Dr. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, will be the main speaker for the evening hour.

Dr. J. Hardee Kennedy, professor of Old Testament at New Orleans Seminary, will lead in Old Testament studies each day at the morning service.

Also at each morning hour Dr. V. L. Stanfield, professor of preaching at New Orleans Seminary, will conduct a class for pastors in sermon preparation.

Simultaneously with this class a course on a different subject will be conducted for all the lay people present, including both men and women, by Rev. Larry Rohrman, pastor of First Baptist Church, Biloxi.

David Ford, minister of music of First Baptist Church of Port Arthur, Texas, will be guest soloist and lead music.

Mrs. Clyde C. Bryan and A. L. Nelson, both of Jackson, will serve alternately as pianist and organist for the conference.

Afternoons will be free for relaxation, recreation, study, fellowship or whatever each one wants to do, Dr. Hudgins said.

The conference will begin with the evening meal Monday and adjourn after the noon meal on Friday.

No reservations for groups of young people will be accepted for the Bible Conference this year, as has been done in the past few years, according to Rev. Tom Douglas, assemblies manager.

An exception to this rule will be made however in cases of young people and children who come with their parents as family groups.

Those urged to attend are pastors and other church and associational leaders, Dr. Hudgins said.

## Youth In Search For Own Identity

GLORIETA, N. M. (BP) — "American society of the 60's has been experiencing neither a 'teenage tyranny' nor a massive 'generation gap,'" Guy Greenfield told Southern Baptist young people and their church leaders at Glorieta Baptist Assembly.

Speaking to the second week's sessions of "Confrontation '69," a young people's Sunday School leadership conference, the associate professor of sociology at Hardin - Simmons University, Abilene, Tex., said that Americans have been observing the development of a unique youth subculture. Young people are trying to discover their identity in the midst of changing standards, goals, and guidelines," Greenfield said.

He characterized youth in search for new guidelines as being irreverent toward sacred things of the past. This irreverence is felt by religion, parents and nationalism.

Today's young generation is humanistic, stressing the humanity of Jesus rather than seeing only the deity that former generations have emphasized. Young people reject war and the structure of society as it tends to dehumanize people.

"They deal with religious issues in a secular fashion, not committing themselves to religious organizations," Greenfield said. "They are not

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## From The Staff

### Congratulations, Editor

By Anne Washburn McWilliams  
Ten years ago this week the Baptist Record embarked on a new era. Dr. Joe T. Odle on July 15, 1959 took up his responsibilities as the paper's eighth editor.

When a few weeks earlier Dr. W. C. Fields had moved to Nashville to become secretary of public relations for the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, Dr. Odle had been chosen interim editor. In that category he served from July 15 until October 1. That September, the Convention Board officially elected him editor.

In the last ten years, the circulation of the Baptist Record has climbed from the 90,000 mark, steadily past long - worked - for 100,000 goal, and now soars at above 109,000. Still the largest newspaper, in circulation, of any newspaper, daily or weekly, in Mississippi, the Baptist Record reaches every community in the state, all fifty states, and at least 35 foreign countries. Despite continually rising printing costs, the paper is still, as it always has been, operating "in the black," self - supporting, without subsidy from the state convention. An up - to - date mailing system has been

instituted, and this year a modern six - column format was initiated.

During Dr. Odle's editorship, the Baptist Record has won five national awards. The most recent of these included: an Award of Merit from the Associated Church Press in 1967 "for excellence of physical appearance in newspaper format"; and an Award of

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## Baptist Laymen Are Challenged To Evangelize And Minister

### FORMAT CHANGED

The format of the front page of this issue was changed without Dr. Odle's knowledge. The Record Staff, at the Executive Secretary's suggestion, was able to insert 10th Anniversary recognition of the editor without his awareness. Please forgive us, . . . but Happy Anniversary!

W. Douglas Hudgins



DR. JOE T. ODLE

## Editor Saluted On 10th Anniversary Of Service

This issue of the Baptist Record marks the 10th Anniversary of its present editor. On the 15th of July, 1959, Dr. Joe T. Odle assumed the responsibility of our State Baptist paper, succeeding Dr. W. C. Fields.

We salute our esteemed editor on the occasion of this anniversary and extend to him the warmest of congratulations and the assurance of our admiring affection.

As Executive Secretary, I feel I speak for all the staff of the Baptist Building, our many pastors and Church Staff members, and the thousands of our Mississippi Baptist people, in tribute to our esteemed fellow-worker and in gratitude to him for the service he has rendered our Baptist cause. It is our hope and prayer that Editor Odle will continue to serve Mississippi Baptists and the cause of Christ for many years to come.

Sincerest congratulations, dear friend, on this significant occasion!

W. DOUGLAS HUDGINS,  
Executive Secretary.

### From The Baptist Record Advisory Committee

There are at least two ways to spell "dedication." One is O-d-le. The Baptist Record has had some great editors. None have been more dedicated -- to God and to his journalistic tasks -- than Dr. Joe Odle. He blends fairness with thoroughness. His editorials are profound but tangible.

We salute him on this tenth anniversary of his editorship.

The Advisory Committee  
Henry Harris, West Point

By Jim Newton

NASHVILLE (BP) — Baptist laymen from nine different nation - wide Baptist conventions were challenged here to become deeply involved in evangelistic witnessing and in service and ministry to their fellow man, regardless of race.

The occasion was the Baptist Men's Congress on Evangelism and Lay Involvement. The historic meeting marked the first time that Baptist laymen from nine white and Negro Baptist conventions had met together to share concerns.

The challenge came from nearly three - dozen speakers who addressed the Independence Day weekend congress; but more especially, it came from Owen Cooper of Yazoo City, Miss., who envisioned and programmed the meeting.

In his closing address to the laymen gathered for the sessions at two public auditoriums here, Cooper urged the Baptist men "to go out into the world as witnesses, proclaimers, evangelists, and to commit ourselves anew to involvement in ministry to our fellow man."

"I am convinced," said the president of the Mississippi and Coastal Chemical Corp., "that the next great upsurge of Christianity awaits the commitment and involvement of laymen in this kind of ministry."

Involvement of laymen in evangelistic witnessing and in ministries to meet human needs, plus Baptist efforts at solving race relations problems and cooperating with other Baptist groups were the major themes that ran throughout the meeting.

Paradoxically, only about 300 laymen attended the meeting on lay involvement and evangelism. In corridor comments, many of the laymen observed that too many Baptist laymen are so uninvolved that they were not willing to give up a holiday weekend to come.

"Don't worry about how many people are here," Cooper told the opening night "crowd" of 200. "It isn't how many we are, but how much we are."

After the congress was over, Cooper said in an interview that he was disappointed in the attendance at first, but that he felt in every other area, the congress was a tremendous success. "The program was balanced, the spirit was good, the fellowship was great," he said.

Although he more than any other person was responsible for the program, Cooper took a seat on the back row during most of the meeting. Before he delivered his closing address, the laymen gave Cooper a standing ovation in appreciation for his work as president of the Pan American Union of Baptist Men, the

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## State Men Help In Ohio and Montana

Several hundred Mississippians are participating this week and next in Crusade of Americas services in Ohio and Montana.

A total of forty - six preachers, laymen and song leaders will take part in the Montana Crusade July 20-27, to be directed by Rev. Leroy Smith, Bozeman, superintendent of missions of the Montana Baptist Fellowship.

Those to participate are as follows:

Preachers: Dr. Robert Barnes, Poplarville; Rev. Bob Maddux, Pelahatchie; Rev. Elton Gray, Biloxi; Rev. Robert Cannon, Horn Lake; Rev. Leo Barker, Noyahater; Rev. Paul Jakes, Clinton; Rev. Dolan Stovall, Dorsey; Rev. Brooks Lindsey, Plantersville; Rev. Ray Campbell, Plain; Rev. Van Windham, Hattiesburg; Dr. Luther M. Dorr, Florence; Rev. Billy Guest, Delta City; Dr. John R. Cobb, Inverness; Rev. Jackie Hamilton, Quitman; Rev. W. A. Robinson, Rev. Leon Young, Dr. John Barrow, Meridian; Rev. Sam Mason, Dr. Gordon Sansing, Dr. Fuller Saunders, Rev. Jim Shanahan, Rev. Wilson Winstead, Rev. Clarence Cutrell, Rev. Wilbur M. Irwin, Dr. Joe T. Odle, all of Jackson.

Ministers of music: Bill Benson, Hattiesburg; Kirk Gullledge, Clinton; Tom Larrimore, Dan Hall, Jackson; Farley Ernest, Bill Hardy, Kosciusko.

Laymen: Bill Clark, John Gandy, Sammy Courtney, J. M. May, Jr., E. L. King, Claude Townsend, R. L. Compere, Florence; Dr. Eugene Cain, Thad Hawkins, Cooper Walton, Jackson; Bill Jones, Herbert Key, Corinth; Floyd Tomlin, Dorsey; Gene Lewis, Kosciusko.

Over 250 Mississippians are participating in the Ohio Crusade which

began July 13 and will conclude on July 27.

This week, July 13-20, services are held in the Riverside Stadium in Niles. This facility is located near the center of the Youngstown - Warren area with its 500,000 people.

Evangelist is Dr. Carl Bates, pastor First Baptist Church, Charlotte, N. C., with music led by Eddy Nicholson of Lubbock, Texas.

Choirs from First Baptist Church, Yazoo City, First Baptist Church, Greenville, and First Baptist Church, Meridian are providing music in the Central Crusade.

The second week, July 20-27, revivals are scheduled in each of the 11 churches and 13 chapels.

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## Cooperative Gifts Up 14.5% For Year

Mississippi Baptist Cooperative Program receipts for the first six months of this convention year, ending June 30, totaled \$4,200,000, according to A. L. Nelson, Jackson, treasurer and business manager of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

This is an increase of \$533,603, or 14.5 percent over the \$3,666,397 given the same period a year ago.

Receipts for June totaled \$1,979,999 an increase of \$114,997 or 6.0 percent over the \$1,864,902 contributed in June a year ago.

The Cooperative Program is the principal channel of mission giving of the denomination and accounts for about two - thirds of the total mission contributions.

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## Ghost Of Karl Marx And The Spirit Of America

By Schuyler M. Batson  
Pastor, Emmanuel Baptist Church  
Alexandria, Louisiana

And lo, it came to pass in those days that a decree went out to all the world; to all the followers of Karl Marx a decree went out. The decree called for a meeting of world communists to decide no less a question than how world communism might destroy the might of the West, the United States of America in particular. From the communist countries and their satellites they came to Moscow and assembled themselves in serious counsel, and sought an answer to the crucial question confronting world communism.

They were not all agreed. Some said, "Let us invade and conquer nations who do not accept our philosophy of the supremacy of the

state." Loud voices rose in objection, contending that such a course would turn the nations of earth against them. The more militant of the comrades suggested dropping a hydrogen bomb to display their might and cause uncommitted nations to submit. Some with more wisdom said, "No, America too has destructive bombs. We can't risk a hydrogen or atomic war." Within their ranks arose a struggle for power which resulted in great division.

After many days there arose in the assembly an old, old man. He seemed to be the ideological embodiment of Karl Marx. He had lived under the Czar and under Lenin. He had seen the rise and fall of Stalin and Khrushchev. As he spoke, men felt they saw and heard the ghost of the much esteemed father of world communism, Karl Marx. Slowly and

deliberately he said, "O foolish men, you seek to do that which would unite the world against you and perhaps kill forever our chances of claiming the great prize of America. If we are wise and if we take our time, we can take America without firing a shot or taking a life. Let us first destroy the soul of America and warp the minds of the people of America by a process of mental re-orientation." Many heads nodded in approval but inquired, "But how shall we do this? Tell us, old man!" And the old man of Moscow spoke like the ghost of Marx, "Listen then to me."

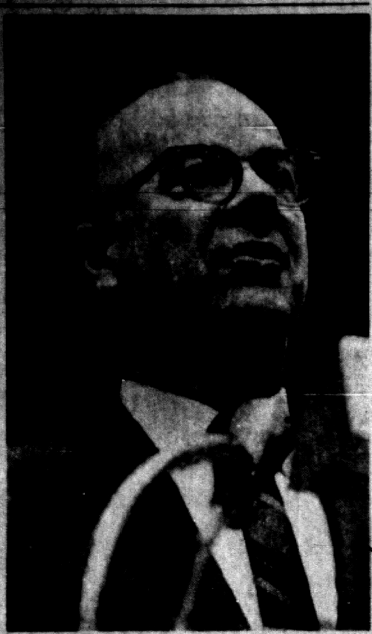
And the disciples of Marx gathered around the old man from Moscow as he spoke. "It is the old man from Moscow who is trained in espionage so simple, you who are trained in arms. To destroy the mind and soul of a people, you

need only to replace gradually the meaningful in life with the trivial, the noble with the vulgar, the regard for authority in every area of life with disdain, the good with the bad. You need to exchange the truth with a lie; you need to implant suspicion where there has been trust."

"Distortion of truth can be one of our greatest weapons. Let us teach the American people a new definition of freedom. This will take time, but it will destroy the mentality of the West. Tell them that rebellion is the hallmark of Americanism. Remind them of the American revolution and the right of dissent among a free people. Hammer 'rights, rights, rights' into their ears until they forget duties and the responsibilities of citizenship. Teach

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Cooper Addresses Laymen

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Mississippi Industrialist Owen Cooper addresses the Baptist Men's Congress on Evangelism and Lay Involvement, delivering a challenge for laymen to be more involved in proclaiming the gospel and personal witnessing, and committing themselves to ministering to human needs. Cooper is president of the Pan American Union of Baptist Men which sponsored the meeting as part of the Crusade of the Americas.—(BP) Photo.

## Utah-Idaho Names Acting Executive

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah (BP)—Darwin E. Welsh, associate executive secretary of the Utah-Idaho Southern Baptist Convention here for the past 4½ years, has been named acting executive secretary-treasurer of the convention pending election and installation of a permanent secretary-treasurer.

## Youth In Search For —

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"church" as are their parents, but they seriously seek for answers to ultimate questions.  
"Today's youth refuses to be the victim of the growing impersonalness and competitiveness of a computerized world. He refuses to be simply a Society Security number, a Zip code number, an auto license tag number, a credit card number or just a number on a payroll sheet. He wants to be a real person, but he must find out for himself what that means.  
"The modern leader and teacher of youth in the church is challenged as never before to discover how to relate the Biblical revelation of God in Jesus Christ to this unique search for identity by today's youth," Greenfield said. "They need to be led to discover the answer to their basic question, 'Who am I?' in the context of a meaningful Christian experience."

## Opera Singer To Give Concerts In Five Churches

Miss Kathleen Roberts, opera singer under contract with the Darmstadt Opera House, Darmstadt, Germany, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Roberts, Jackson, has arrived in the States for a month's visit. While at home she will be Artist For The Day at four churches, singing in all of the services, the evening services being a concert. Also she will give a concert on Wednesday evening in one church. An informal concert for the youth will follow the Sunday night services.

Her engagement dates are as follows: July 20, Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson; July 27, First Baptist Church, Brandon; August 3, Woodland Hills Baptist Church, Jackson; August 10, First Baptist Church, Jackson; and August 13 (Wednesday), First Baptist Church, Magee.

## Aid Requested For Arthur Blessitt

An urgent call came a few days ago from Rev. Gwin Turner, former pastor of Bowmar Avenue Baptist Church in Vicksburg, in the interest of Rev. Arthur Blessitt's work on Sunset Strip in Hollywood. Brother Blessitt is having trouble in getting and keeping a building for his "Gospel Night Club." When these around him doing business find out the nature of Blessitt's work they immediately protest to the owner and so he cancels the lease. Rev. Turner, now pastor of First Baptist Church, Los Angeles, is in Los Angeles on two things: that we pray for Brother Blessitt and his work there. Sec-

# Baptist Laymen Are Challenged

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hemisphere-wide layman's organization that sponsored the congress.  
Several speakers pointed out the historic nature of the meeting. Chester Dixon, laymen's leader for the Progressive National Baptist Convention from Chicago, added that the tragedy was that Baptist laymen from nine conventions had to wait until 1969 to get together.

Former Minnesota Governor Harold Stassen of Philadelphia, a former president of the American Baptist Convention, warned the 300 laymen not to underestimate the impact of the meeting. "This congress is just a beginning, a first," he said.

Stassen was one of several government leaders who addressed the congress, including the mayor of Mobile, Ala., a state legislator from South Carolina, and the governor of Tennessee. All urged more involvement of Christian laymen in politics.

Stassen stressed the importance of applying religious principles to the problems of world peace and racial justice and freedom, saying that all men of all races and nationalities are children of one God, and that man must not try to kill his way through international problems.

State Legislator Preston Callison of Columbia, S. C., called for more involvement of laymen in denominational affairs and denominational "politics." He urged Baptist churches to send laymen to the conventions just as they do their ministers.

Mobile Mayor Lambert C. Mims told of his conversion experience, say-

ing that he was a Baptist for 15 years before he was really converted. Mayor Mims urged the laymen to be stronger in their evangelistic efforts.

Layman Walter Kennon of Union City, Tenn., said that "soul winning is my business." He told of his lay ministry in leading soul-winning clinics in connection with revival meetings, and of his efforts to witness to at least three people each day. "The business of every born-again Christian is soul winning," Kennon declared.

In an earlier address, former Longview, Tex., attorney Clifton Brannon who now does evangelistic work, said that too many laymen don't know how to go about leading someone to Christ. Brannon, who called himself "a gypsy for Christ," said that all laymen need is one of the "Soul Winner's New Testament" that he publishes, plus "compassion in your heart" to win others to Christ.

Reuben Lopes, president of the hemisphere-wide Crusade of the Americas evangelist campaign and pastor from Sao Paulo, Brazil, told the congress that too many laymen are "fishing for souls in shallow water instead of launching out into the deep waters where the fish are."

Lopes said that Baptists have fine buildings and "we set our nets only for those who come to the church building. We go down every Sunday to see if the fish are wise enough to come into our nets." Instead, laymen ought to be going out into the world and winning the lost to Christ.

Layman Kenneth Rose of Maryville, Tenn., declared that every Christian must do his part to win others to

Christ and lead them to proclaim the whole gospel, or becomes "a traitor to the cause of Christ."

Speaking with a strong Mississippi accent and calling himself a "fertilizer peddler," Jerry Clower of Yazoo City, Miss., said it made no difference how much education a man had, or what color his skin might be, so long as he knew Jesus Christ. He urged Baptist laymen to "be yourself, and get involved," in personal witnessing.

Clower, salesman for the Mississippi and Coastal Chemical Corp., said he was taught until he was 12 years of age that a Negro did not have a soul, but he found out that was wrong when he became a Christian. "I don't care who you are and what color you are and what you think, I can get along with you if you've got the son of God in your heart," he said.

More than a half dozen speakers at the meeting, both white and black, called for more involvement in improving race relations.

Joseph H. Jackson, president of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., said that white Southerners and Negroes of the nation could solve the country's racial problems if they would banish fear, truly commit themselves to Christian principles and those of the federal constitution, and learn to work together cooperatively.

Kelly Miller Smith, pastor of First Baptist Church of Capitol Hill in Nashville, observed that if the Southern Baptists alone had decided years ago to be genuinely Christian in their relations with other races, the

racial crisis of today would be solved.

Dallas Negro Pastor Robert Wilson warned that the institutional church had failed and was sick with the disease of racism.

In another area, Medical Doctor Robert Hingson of Pittsburg told the congress that one half of the world's children go to bed each night hungry, and one third are "sick unto death." He called for laymen to spend as much for medicine to heal the sick as they do for bullets in the Vietnam war.

Washington Pastor Frank Foster said that the gospel can't be clearly communicated until it is demonstrated. He urged laymen to go into the cities and turn loose the gospel with ministries to help people in the ghetto.

"Find out what your eyes see, what your heart feels, what you have interest in, and then do your own thing," said Foster. "Don't use the excuse that you can't get your pastor or the whole church to go your way. If you see and feel, then act," he said.

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary professor Kenneth L. Chafin said that unfortunately, most pastors don't want to free laymen for the tasks they should assume in helping people and winning others.

Chafin urged laymen and ministers alike to be more sensitive to the mood of today's generation, to become more adult oriented in their evangelism, to seek to evangelize all people regardless of race or class, and to realize that modern man has no questions about life that are not religiously oriented.

Southern Baptist Missionary Roy Lyon of Venezuela told of his work among laymen in Venezuela, and said that ministers must learn how to channel the tremendous power of laymen into effective ministry.

Added Negro Minister Bill Lawson of Houston: "We've listened to enough enthusiasm and audacity this week to send us back with renewed spiritual muscle to do what we might never have done so fervently."

Former Southern Baptist Convention President Wayne Dehoney of Louisville, in a brief message, told the laymen that they might be the only one present from their church, but they could go back home and make a difference in their church.

Dehoney said later that in an interview that he personally felt that the laymen's congress was even more significant in long-range effect than the Southern Baptist Convention attended by 17,000 just a few weeks earlier.

The conference, which was held as a part of the Crusade of the Americas in an effort to stimulate lay involvement and concern, may not be the last, Cooper said.

An evaluation sheet was to be mailed to each congress participant, asking if he felt future meetings along similar lines would be helpful, either on a national or state level. Cooper said that there was a good chance some future meetings would be held.

In a group, Bible study takes on a new dimension. More than one meaning lies in Christ's promise to be present when two or three persons gather to seek and do his will. A dynamic activity begins when these minds and hearts focus intently upon a passage of God's Word and the Holy Spirit charges this spiritual activity with power! — Rice A. Pierce in "Leading Dynamic Bible Study," Broadman Press.

# From The Staff: Congratulations To The Editor

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Merit from the Associated Church Press in 1965 for Dr. Odle's editorial, "Smoke Over Mississippi" this first-place award was given "for demonstration of editorial courage through a crusade launched by a single editorial." His editorial helped to launch the Committee of Concern, which rebuilt burned churches in Mississippi. In 1965 the Evangelistic Press Association named the same editorial Best Editorial by a Denominational Publisher, and awarded to the Baptist Record first place for the year, 1964, in the competition, "Higher Goals in Christian Journalism."

Dr. Odle's editorials are often picked up for reprint by other Southern Baptist papers, as well as papers published by other denominations. He was one of only two Southern Baptist editors asked to write guest editorials for the 150th anniversary edition of the nationally distributed Watchman Examiner.

The editor is author of Church Member's Handbook, which is widely used in the training of new Baptist church members. Published by Broadman Press, this book just a few weeks ago passed the one and one-half million mark in sales. Editions have been issued in Chinese and Spanish. Portions of the book have been translated into Portuguese and Arabic and other languages, and used by missionaries in several countries. A book of his sermons published in 1967 under the title, "It's a Great Life, Don't Miss It," is now in its third edition.

In denominational affairs, he has played a large part. He was vice-president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention in 1963, and a member of the Annuity Board, SBC, from 1948-56. In addition, he has served on many boards and committees of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. For several years he has been a member of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, which has headquarters in Washington, D. C.

He is a member of Associated Church Press, Evangelical Press Association, and Southern Baptist Press Association. He has been a member of Kiwanis, Lions and Civitan Clubs in various communities where he served

as pastor and has been a member of Jackson Rotary Club since 1965. He is a Kentucky Colonel. He is listed in the 1968-69 edition of Who's Who in America, and in the last two editions of Who's Who in the South and Southwest.

Fervently evangelistic and deeply mission-minded, he has made mission preaching trips to Alaska, the Bahama Islands, Europe and the Holy Land, and Central and South America. (He made a second trip to the Holy Land as a guest of the Israel Government Tourist Bureau in September of 1968.) He has preached in revivals in many states, and this week is in Montana where he is participating in the state's Crusade of the Americas and next week will be preaching in a revival at Bozeman. In 1959, just before he became editor, he conducted a week's revival services in Turin, Italy.

The election of Dr. Odle as editor ten years ago was for him a boyhood dream come true. As a young lad, he was carrier boy for the Daily American in West Frankfort, Illinois. Many afternoons he stood waiting for papers, listening to the roar of the machinery, mesmerized by the clanging of typewriters, the rumble of the press, the commotion about the editor's desk.

He saw and heard all that went about him, but his thoughts were projected into the future. He was dreaming of the day when he would be newspaper editor.

Native of West Frankfort, he is son of Rev. and Mrs. Harry Odle. His father, a Baptist preacher, died when Dr. Odle was seven years old. His mother still lives in southern Illinois, with her daughter, Dr. Odle's only sister.

He first discovered the joys of the printed page when he began his education at Weavertown school near West Frankfort. His love for good reading is revealed in his enormous personal library. His cherished collection contains many rare books and magazines.

At 13, he accepted Christ as his Saviour and was baptized at Second Baptist Church, West Frankfort. While a junior in high school he felt God calling him to be a preacher.

He had not forgotten his dream of being a newspaperman, but was willing to put God's will for his life first. He preached his first sermon at 18 and was ordained to the ministry two weeks after his 17th birthday. While a senior at Frankfort Community High School he was business manager of the annual, and pastor of the Orient Baptist Mission.

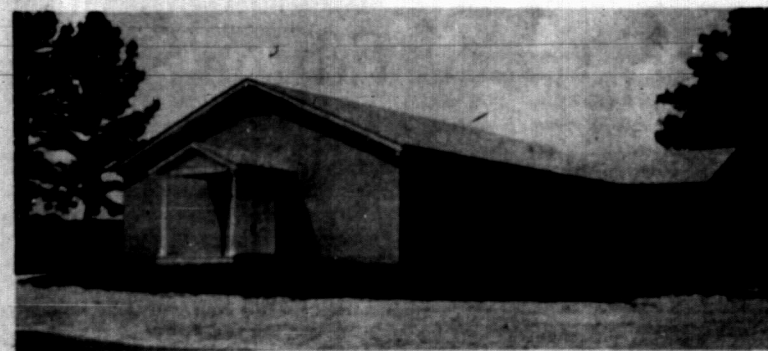
During student days at Union University in Jackson, Tennessee, he met the lovely daughter of a Kentucky Baptist pastor, Rev. L. R. Riley. He and Mabel Riley were married immediately after his graduation from college. To them were born a son and a daughter.

Joe Thomas, the son, died in 1965 while a third year student at Mississippi College. He was preparing for the ministry. As a summer missionary, he was the first Southern Baptist to do mission work in Helena, the capital city of Montana. The first unit of Calvary Baptist Church in that city is named in his honor the Joe Thomas Odle Memorial Chapel.

Sarah, the daughter, a graduate of Mississippi College, is now married to Roland Maddox, and lives in Memphis. Her two children, Melanie and Allan, are the pride of their grandfather's heart, and the subject of many of his photographs!

Dr. Odle was pastor of several churches in Tennessee and Kentucky before beginning his first full-time pastorate at East Baptist Church, Paducah, Ky., where he served from 1932 to 1943. While at Paducah, he attended Southern Seminary in Louisville, Ky. He was pastor of First Church, Crystal Springs, Miss., 1943-47, and First Church, Gulfport, 1947-56. In 1949 Mississippi College conferred upon him the honorary degree, Doctor of Divinity.

He and Mrs. Odle and Sarah moved to Jackson to 1322 Robert Drive when in 1956 he accepted the position as associate executive secretary of the Miss. Baptist Convention Board. Three years later, he assumed the editorship of the Baptist Record.



## Rock Hill Brick-Veneers Sanctuary

ROCK HILL CHURCH in Covington County has recently completed bricking and installing cathedral glass, to their present facilities. To commemorate this milestone, they will have a special dedication service, Sunday, July 20, followed with dinner on the ground. Also, they will begin their revival services July 20. The evangelist will be Rev. Bob Mounts and music is to be under direction of Gary Shows. The pastor is Rev. Terry Howard.



## Shuqualak Sponsors First Kindergarten

PICTURED above is a scene from the past year's kindergarten at Shuqualak Church, Rev. Paul F. Meadows, pastor. Mrs. Fred Whitfield was the teacher, with enrolment of nine. The average attendance was seven. This was the first year the church had sponsored the kindergarten. The entire community expressed a real interest in the school, and plans are being made now for this fall's session.

know." No matter what the question, or the subject of the question — more often than not, he does know the answer.

His secretaries have always marvelled at how much he knew about every phase of their job, from changing a typewriter ribbon, to repairing a staple dispenser, to cutting a stencil, to drawing an illustration. He has talent in art, photography, and poetry. Some of the most delightful doggerel has come from his pen to grace the programs on special fun occasions in the Baptist Building. He is sought after as a public speaker, from college commencements to church dedications.

The Baptist Record staff looks forward all year to the traditional Christmas dinner at the Odles' house. And believe me, Mrs. Odle's marvelous cooking is worth the waiting for!

Though an editor, Dr. Odle still has "the heart" of a pastor, and is an understanding counselor. As a "boss," he is kind, thoughtful, and generous.

In spite of all these accomplishments, he is nevertheless a man of modesty (and I would be fearing for my job on account of this article, had I not the executive secretary's full support!)

The Baptist Record staff is proud to salute the editor on his tenth anniversary. We feel certain that many, many others will want to join us in this sentiment.

## Church Music Institute To Be Held At Southern

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Dr. Charles C. Hirt, founder and chairman of the department of church music at the University of Southern California, heads the list of program personnel for the ninth annual Church Music Institute at the Southern Baptist Seminary here Oct. 20 to 23.

Dr. Hirt will be the seminary's 1969 Greens lecturer in church music. He is professor of music and director of choral organizations at the university, and has led the department of church music, since its founding in 1946, to a place of national prominence.

Since 1941, Dr. Hirt has been minister of music at the First Presbyterian Church of Hollywood, Calif., where his music program involves some 400 persons.

The USC Chamber Singers, directed by Dr. Hirt, were selected in 1964 to tour seven European countries under the U. S. State Department's Cultural Presentations Program. In addition, Dr. Hirt appeared in Russia and other eastern European countries as a Ford Foundation lecturer.

The first session of the institute will begin at 6:30 p.m., Monday, October 20, and the final session will close at 3 p.m. on Thursday, October 23. Housing and registration information can be obtained through writing Dr. McElrath, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, 2625 Lexington Road, Louisville, Ky. 40206.



# The Ghost of Karl Marx

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the people, young Americans especially, that in a democracy men are free to choose the laws they desire to obey and remind them that real freedom guarantees their right to disobey all laws they think are not good."

"Convince them of the rottenness of everything in the establishment — the evil of all authority that does not move from the masses upward. This way you can destroy the whole structure of American education. Tell the youth that they have a right to determine the courses which will be taught in their schools, and to determine who will be their teachers and administrators. Create such havoc in a determined effort to integrate the races that even the most dedicated men of learning will throw up their hands in despair. If you do this and do it long enough, men will become your slaves."

## Most Have TV Sets

"Because of capitalistic wealth every American family now has a television or a radio on before him every hour of the day. No longer will there be moments of silence. Even on the streets or at the beach or driving their automobiles the noises from their gadgets will divert them from thinking. Let us keep their minds distracted by noise, shouting and discord from dawn to late at night. If they tire of television, then we will provide the kind of movies which appeal to the base and vulgar. Here again they can assert their freedom to choose for themselves what they want to see. If boredom forces them to read, let their reading be cheap and crude. Provide plenty on the newstands which will appeal to the base in life. You will see that men, women and youth will no longer read that which builds character and establishes idealism which have made America. Yes, let us tell them that God is dead and that religion truly is the opiate of the people. Tell them that freedom allows them to say what is true and what is not true in their Bible. Convince them that circumstances alone determine the rightness of any action. Soon they will reject all of the Bible and establish their own new morality."

"And never forget that we have potential allies in the minority races of America. Even Americans cannot deny that the Negro as a race has been exploited. We can tell the Negro that all white men are against them. Tell them that turn about is fair play and that it is time for the Negro revolution to take over America and that white America has a long over due debt to pay the black man. Even though the American Negro is better off than the Negro anywhere else in the world, if you tell him long enough that he is the victim of prejudice everywhere, he will come to believe it and even the white people of Amer-

ica will develop such a guilt complex over the Negro that they will become blinded to a mushrooming Negro prejudice against the whites. Tell a man long enough that he is being mistreated and he will believe it and will even come to interpret all restraint against him — even that of required obedience to the law — as prejudice against blacks. This will in time create a national guilt complex. And lo, I will tell you the most wonderful part of this revolution."

"What is it, old man, tell us?" the crowd eagerly inquired.

## Won't Cost A Penny

"All this won't cost us a penny. The American people themselves will underwrite the cost of this revolution which will deliver the country into our hands. Their great capitalist corporations will pay for the advertisements on television and for the news every hour on the hour. The American press which thrives on sensation will give us all the free publicity we want and more. The people themselves will pay their own way to destruction thru heavy taxation. While we build the greatest navy in history and keep our armament factories from the prying eyes of the West, we will inaugurate a propaganda campaign against the American military - industrial complex. Americans will come no longer to think, but to act emotionally."

"We will destroy old values and replace them with new ones which even we do not permit in communist countries. We will convince them that they can hate their way to brotherhood and equality, murder their way to peace, lie their way to truth, and destroy their way to a constructive and free society."

"But how long will this take, old man?" "Who can tell?" he answered. "We will not worry over a decade or two. It will come in time if we are patient. Time is on our side."

And the comrades in communism praised the old man for his wisdom and gave him a standing round of applause. During the 60's his wisdom took shape on the streets, in the homes, and on the campuses of America. And so it is to this sad day.

In the United States there were those who still loved freedom and could distinguish true freedom from the false, liberty from license. With deep concern they witnessed the revolution taking place before their very eyes. They heard the loud voices of dissent; they listened for awhile to the noise of the demonstrators and watched looters rob the innocent. They watched and heard on television the hatred, the defiance, the bloodshed and thought they heard the death rattle of their great nation.

## Something Happened

But then something happened! Something which the old man of Moscow had failed to anticipate for he had never understood the Spirit of

America. The people who had tried to exercise tolerance for all minority groups said, "This lawlessness in our land has reached the stomach turning point. This is a nation born under God with rights for all but with rule by the leaders chosen by the majority, not the minority. This is a Christian nation with freedom of worship for all other religions." Americans everywhere from coast to coast and from border to border began to stand up and speak out in the firmness of love. They said, "We will not any longer permit treason to masquerade on our streets as democratic dissent. We are tired of treason masquerading as the spirit of American revolution. We will support legislation which will help strengthen the enforcement of the laws of the land. We will demand at the polls, and thru correspondence with elected officials, insist that the courts protect the police of our cities. We will declare again that our police, charged with protecting our homes, our schools, our businesses, our people on the streets, are first of all defenders of the innocent and not public relations experts. When dissident citizens destroy people or property, we expect force to be met with force and will protect our police from charges of 'police brutality'."

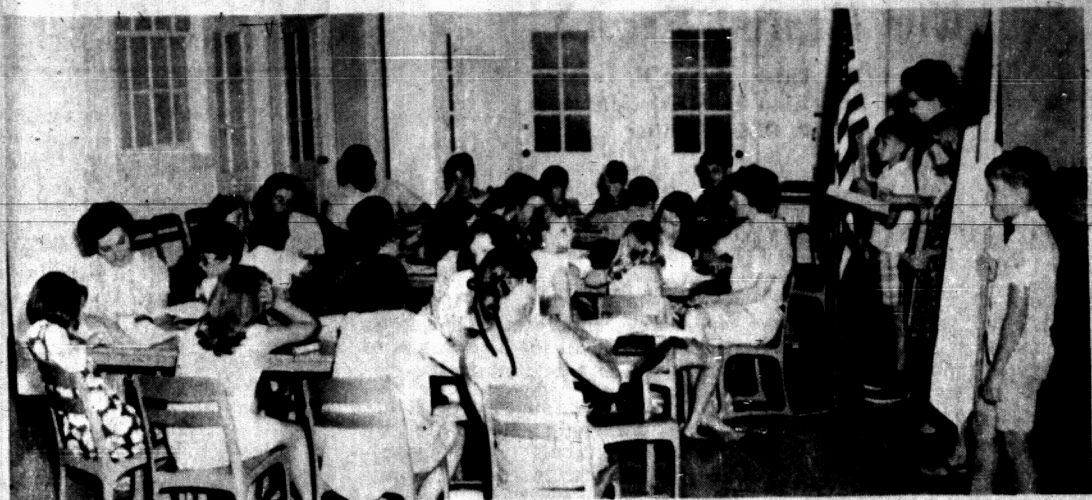
A new president was chosen with the hope that he would bring the nation together again. In his first address to the nation as president, he said, "Greatness comes in simple trappings. The simple things are the ones most needed today if we are to surmount what divides us and cement what unites us. To lower our voices would be a simple thing. In these difficult years, America has suffered from a fever of words; from inflated rhetoric that promises more than it can deliver; from angry rhetoric that fans discontents into hatreds; from bombastic rhetoric that postures instead of persuading. We cannot learn from one another until we stop shouting at one another — until we speak quietly enough so that our words can be heard as well as our voices."

## Spirit Born Anew

So, at the turn of the decade, the Spirit of America was born anew in the hearts of her countrymen. What the communists and their unwitting comrades in America took for the death rattle of the West, proved to be the birth pangs of a new and greater land. Thruout the land, young and old turned down their radios and televisions and began once again to think — and to listen to the voice of conscience. They turned back to the wisdom and the laws of God. By the millions they declared that God is not dead, only those who are collecting the wages of their sin. And they began to prove that He lives as His righteousness, which alone exalteth an individual or a nation, began to show thru in their attitudes, their actions — their very lives. They strengthened the laws which protected the rights of all their citizens and fought prejudice both black and white.

In her literature and her life, in her arts and sciences, in her schools and her churches, in public as well as private life Americans stiffened their spines and again began calling dirt, dirt; junk, junk; a bum, a bum; a traitor, a traitor; and sin, sin. Education recovered from her ills too as youth sought and secured an education to equip them and others for living the great life which Uncle Sam guarantees every liberty loving man on American soil.

In the early 70's a moral reformation with deep spiritual roots swept every state in the union. Once again the United States of America became the symbol of freedom to the whole world and her flag again was respected in all the world. She became once again "one nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all." — Preached Sunday, June 29 in Immanuel Church. (This sermon, according to Mr. Batson, was based in part on an article in the April 27, 1962 issue of Christianity Today by Graham R. Hodges, titled "The Old Man of Moscow.")



## "Go Ye...And Teach"

"The primary objectives of the Sunday School Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board are better Bible teaching and outreach,"



BRYANT CUMMINGS

Most people associate the term, "Sunday school," with the Sunday morning program of Bible study. That is Sunday school, of course. In addition, the state Sunday school department promotes Bible study during the week, through kindergartens, weekday Bible study, and fellowship Bible classes or home Bible classes. The latter reaches people who might not ordinarily be reached through the church.

Sunday School Department personnel serve as church building consultants. As such, they act as a liaison between the local church and the Church Architecture Department of the Sunday School Board. Sunday School Department personnel are always willing to advise and consult with local churches that desire this aid — on space, equipment, property, remodeling, new buildings (education and other types), possible relocations, or pastors' homes. These staff members will provide suggested floor plans; if desired, and will give advice to Church Planning Committees on such questions as: what are the needs of the church program as a whole? how many buildings are needed? what particular space needs should be met?

In another area, that of the library, the Sunday

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is one of the strongest units in the state Sunday School Department Bible teaching program.



CHURCH BUILDING CONSULTANT — Dennis E. Conniff, Jr., associate, state Sunday School Department.

School Department acts as a liaison between the local church library and the Church Library Department of the Sunday School Board.

Vacation Bible school is very much a part of the work of the Sunday School Department. Last year over sixty associational VBS clinics were held to train workers for vacation Bible schools. At least 41 clinics have been reported this year. The state provides leadership for all these clinics. Teams from associations that have had VBS clinics sometimes help other associations which have not had them.

Working with Mr. Cummings in the Sunday School Department are Miss Carolyn Madison, associate; Dennis E. Conniff, Jr., associate; Judd R. Allen, associate; Billy Hudgens, associate; Mrs. Roy Womack, office secretary; and Miss Evelyn Redd, office secretary.



THE SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE TEACHING CLASS.



WEEKDAY BIBLE STUDY AND KINDERGARTEN.



OFFICE SECRETARIES in the state Sunday School Department are Mrs. Roy Womack, left, and Miss Evelyn Redd. Offices are in the Baptist Building, third floor.



ASSOCIATES in the Sunday School Department, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, include, left to right, Judd Allen, Billy Hudgens, and Miss Carolyn Madison.

## Coast Crusade To Feature Graham Team Members

More than 125 churches in Harrison, Hancock, Stone and Jackson counties are working together with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association in sponsoring the Gulf Coast Crusade for Christ to be held July 20-Aug. 3.

The evangelist will be Billy Graham associate, Dr. Grady Wilson, who is a life - long friend of Billy Graham and has been associated with the Billy Graham organization since its beginning.

The music team also associated with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association are: Steve Musto, singer and Ted Cornell, organist.

The Crusade director is Hank Beukema of New York City. Activities have been feverish on the Gulf Coast for the past several months.

More than 300 persons have been trained to serve as counselors during the Crusade, over 500 have been enrolled in the Crusade Choir, 400 men have been enlisted to serve as ushers, more than 1000 prayer meetings are being held weekly in various homes in the four county area, for five weeks preceding the Crusade.

On Sunday, July 13, 66,000 homes will be visited in one Sunday afternoon and free materials will be presented to the occupants and an invitation given to attend the Crusade. Eight nights preceding the actual Crusade on the Gulf Coast, tapes of the Madison Square Garden Billy Graham Crusade will be broadcast on the local television station.

Many of the people who appeared with Billy Graham in New York will also be appearing on the Gulf Coast. For the first five nights the "Kingsfolk," a folk singing group from Australia, three brothers and a sister who are the sons and daughter of a minister in Australia will be singing.

Following the services, Monday through Friday, there will be a coffee house ministry in the Biloxi Community

Center from 9:30 until 11:00 for young people.

Also appearing will be former baseball star, Bobby Richardson. The last three nights of the Crusade, Miss Ethel Waters will come and sing.

Services will be each evening at 8:00 in the Biloxi Municipal Stadium in Biloxi. On Monday, July 14, all the Mayors from Biloxi to Bay St. Louis met for a mayors' prayer breakfast along with 75 laymen at the Ramada Inn in Long Beach.

Many local businesses are relinquishing their television and radio time in order that Crusade prayer meetings may be conducted over the air and other programs connected with the Crusade.

Many business firms have forgone their advertising on billboards and donated the space to the Gulf Coast Crusade for Christ.

Mayors in their respective cities are designating Gulf Coast Crusade for Christ days, urging that the citizens of their respective cities attend on those days.

This area - wide Crusade is part of the Crusade of the Americas' activities plan for this year. This area is so vast and there are so many people who need to be committed, that the Gulf Coast Baptist Association voted to invite all the denominations to participate and by doing so the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association was willing to work with us, according to Rev. J. W. Brister, Superintendent of Missions.

Dr. Grady Wilson will be preaching on Sunday mornings the three Sundays that he will be with us in the various chapels on the Keesler Air Force Base. Buses will be running nightly from all three chapels at Keesler to the Crusade site. The commanding general has given full cooperation with the Crusade.

Many churches on the Gulf Coast Area have chartered city buses for the full 15 nights to carry their members and un - church members to the Crusade.

## State Men In Ohio-Montana

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### Visitation Scheduled

Visitation is scheduled for six new mission areas. Plans are to have the first Sunday service in these places July 27.

Preachers: Rev. W. H. Anderson, Tupelo; Rev. W. C. Burns, Sr., Gautier; Rev. A. L. Courtney, Terry; Rev. David Edenfield, Clara; Rev. H. B. Harris, Jr., Stonewall; Rev. Jerry Henderson, Waynesboro; Rev. John Ira Hill, Brookhaven; Rev. Aaron Lewis, Ethel; Rev. David Mahaffey, West Point; Rev. Durrell Makamson, Durant; Rev. Robert Marten, Ripley; Rev. J. B. Miller, Southaven; Rev. Jasper Neel, Belzoni; Rev. Raymond Parker, Woodville, Texas; Rev. M. E. Perry, Corinth; Rev. Sidney Pistone, Tahoka, Texas; Rev. H. J. Rushing, Vicksburg; Rev. D. D. Satterwhite, Bay Springs; Rev. Gobby L. Shands, Hattiesburg; Rev. James A. Smith,

Gulfport; Rev. Joe B. Walker, Hollandale; Rev. John Watts, Liberty; Rev. James Wesberry, Atlanta, Georgia; Rev. R. L. Wilcutt, Winona; Rev. Lynton Younger, Ridgeland; Rev. Jim Nunnelee, Rev. Hugh Poole, Rev. James Yates, Yazoo City; Rev. Jack Elliott, Rev. Robert Sheffield, Meridian; Rev. Maurice Clayton, Rev. Lincoln Newman, Rev. C. S. Rogers, Jackson.

Laymen who will lead singing, visit and witness include: Guy Barrett, Kosciusko; Noland Mapp, Gautier; Max Burroff, Belzoni; Sam Dees, Panther Burn; James H. Fisher, Sylva, N. C.; Robert Gray, Ripley; Jim Hamby, Southaven; P. N. Harlan, Carthage; D. A. Hegwood, Metairie, La.; Rives B. Lowrey, Winona; George Martin, Dorsey; Steve McCollum, West Point; Keith McGregory, Holly Springs; Phil Odum, Durant; Sam R. Pope, Ben-

ton; Oley A. Senquefield, Pascagoula; James H. Smith, Magee; Ray Berry, Sammy Chisholm, Alex Cooper, Bobby Covington, Gary Fagan, John Heiden, Lee Hill, James H. Jordan, Rex Minter, Newman Reece, Jackson;

L. J. Beasley, James Booth, L. E. McCoy, Calvin Patrick, Sidney Pitts, Terry; John T. Boyles, Dan Boyce, James Dykes, Ridgeland; John Carley, Tom H. Raggett, Willis Southernland, Billy W. Stanford, Dr. Jimmy Walker, Yazoo City; Harrison Ellzey, Ray Moffett, Berne Taylor, Laurel.

Pat Brooks, William Lynchard, Hollandale; H. L. Neal, W. E. Phillips, Bay Springs; Morgan McLain, W. N. Powell, Waynesboro; Perry Seale, C. D. Shields, Bill Wilkerson, Harold Yates, M. V. McLain, Meridian; John Mathis, Clayton Stewart, Tupelo.

Several of the men going to each Crusade are accompanied by their wives.

## To VBS Workers

Matt. 19:13-15  
By Ben C. Searborough  
Bruce, Mississippi  
The hands of little children beckon  
To be taught the Word of God  
And of the Holy Land so old  
Where the Master's feet once trod.  
The smiles of little children call  
To happy times each day,  
As yearning, eager hearts reach out  
To find the Jesus' way.  
The eyes of little children shine  
As twinkling stars at night,  
As in the young and tender years  
They seek the world's true Light.  
The minds of little children long  
Eternal truth to know  
That with the light of Jesus' love  
Both life and face may glow.  
The lives of little children wait  
The darkened world to bless,  
But we must put God's Kingdom first  
To teach them righteousness.

## Consultant Resigns To Earn Doctorate

BIRMINGHAM (BP) — Miss Elaine Dickson here has resigned as consultant in program design and research for the Southern Baptist Women's Missionary Union to pursue a doctoral degree in education at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth.





## Quiet Talks ON RELIGION IN LIFE

CHESTER E. SWOR

### Never Too Old!

Here are some happy items for our retired readers — or for their younger friends who may wish to pass these items along. An increasing number of retired people have turned what might have been years of idleness or mediocrity into productive and spiritually stimulating years.

One man, now in his 70's, but in excellent health, drives aged and infirm people who need to perform chores at banks, stores, or physicians' offices. He is the hero of the senior citizens in his city.

Another man, now in his 80's, invited people to share with him their problems which needed prayer; and, day by day, his mail stacks high, his prayer - time extends, and his joy and usefulness increase. Marvelously, he is releasing more power than he did in his busy pre-retirement years.

#### Angel of Mercy

Still another man records beautiful music or wonderful messages from radio and TV and takes his tape recorder to "serenade" shut-ins with musical and sermon treats which their hours of rest or hospitalization may have caused them to miss. He is an angel of mercy in his town.

A lovely woman, nearing 70, works without compensation in small churches which need experienced staff leadership, but whose budgets do not permit such employees. She brings to those small churches a richness of spiritual insight and a skill of leadership which are literally blessings from

heaven. Another lovely lady, retired but in good strength, has become a hospital visitor in cooperation with local ministers and the hospital staff. Her faith, radiance, patience, and love have had a transforming effect upon both staff members and patients in the hospital which she visits.

One bed-ridden retiree has become a "telephone visitor" for his church, making calls to inquire of absentees, to extend invitations, to bring congratulations or consolation or courage as needed. Another bed-ridden retiree mails out messages to distraught or grief-stricken people about whose experiences he reads in the newspapers.

#### Inspiration

Life for these wonderful ones goes on with gratification to them and with inspiration to many others. They evidently remember that Abraham was a senior citizen when he began his journey of faith, and that Moses was eighty years of age when God assigned to him the tremendous responsibility of leading the Israelites out of Egypt. Remembering, they seek ventures of faith and usefulness, and their search is richly rewarded.

It will be well for all of us to remember that SO LONG AS WE LIVE, WE CAN KEEP ON LIVING, REGARDLESS OF AGE!

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## Hunger For The Word Of God

In all of the years of my ministry I have not seen a time when there was such a hunger for knowledge of the Word of God.

There is a new interest in Bible classes, group discussion, home Bible study, study of special Bible themes, and other types of Bible study, clearly revealing that many people are deeply concerned about knowing and understanding what God teaches in His Word.

This is a most encouraging sign, and offers a challenge to pastors, Sunday school leaders, and others who have responsibility of leadership in Christian work. Few things can give deeper meaning or be more strengthening to almost any phase of Christian work, than serious study of the Bible.

#### Bible Preaching and Teaching

We have noticed, too, that those pastors who center their pulpit ministry on Bible preaching, are the ones who continue to have large congregations. The preaching of the Word of God still attracts people. Lectures and sermonettes on popular themes never will do it for very long, no matter how popular the speaker may be.

Every preacher who stands before a congregation, whether as pastor or as evangelist, should give heed to Paul's admonition, "Preach the Word."

Every teacher who has the privilege of standing regularly before a class, should obey the command "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth." Such teachers should not teach from a quarterly, or a lesson commentary, but should stand before his class with the Bible in his hand. Use the other materials in study, but teach the Word.

#### Individual Study

Every individual Christian should read and study the Bible for himself. Books about the Bible are good, and your reading should include good commentaries and similar materials, but reading and studying the Bible itself, will bless you and enrich you most. Read and study the King James version, but also get some of the newer versions, for they often will make the meaning of a passage much clearer to you. Read, study, compare, memorize and meditate on the Word of God.

The Bible does not need to be defended, nor do its origins and makeup need to be fully understood by the average readers in order for it to have a message of God for their hearts. Let the scholars spend their time searching these things out, if they will, but let the ordinary reader spend his time just studying the Word itself. It is God's divine revelation, and the Holy Spirit is the greatest teacher. This does not mean that one will not seek other teachers, and read commentaries and books concerning the por-

tion he is studying, but it should be clearly understood that most important of all for all of us is to study the Bible itself first.

#### Methods of Study

One can study the Bible by books, by characters, by subjects, by doctrines, and in numerous other ways. Perhaps the first knowledge which Christians should seek is simply to find out what the Bible is saying. This means that we must read it. Dr. James M. Gray, for many years president of Moody Bible Institute, once wrote a book on "How To Master the English Bible." His method was to read a book of the Bible over and over several times. He says that by the time one has read the same book six or seven times, straight through just as he reads a any other book, he will begin to comprehend what the writer was trying to say. When one book has been thus understood, the student may want to go back and make a more careful study of doctrines, truths, characters, etc. In this way, a book at a time, the reader will come to a working knowledge of his Bible. A good concordance, a commentary, and a reference Bible will be helpful in this. Of course, careful study will call for reading other materials, too, for such study will bring hunger for such further study.

#### Bible Study Groups

Bible study groups have begun to appear in many places, and certainly we do not have any objection to these. Ordinarily, however, we think it would be preferable for these to be under the guidance and direction of the pastor and the church, if they are to be of greatest value. Evidently some type of study groups like this is included in the new Training Union program, which is coming in 1970.

There also are home study Bible courses for individual study, available from the Radio and Television Commission and the Home Mission Board, and more comprehensive ones from the Seminary Extension Department in Nashville. Some also are available from radio preachers, or are advertised in religious journals, but one might do well to discuss any such material with this pastor, to be sure that it is true to the Word of God, and is not just religious propaganda.

#### Church Response

Churches should respond to this new interest in Bible study and hunger for Bible knowledge, and make provision for it. They can do much more than merely provide a Sunday School for Bible study, and had better do it if they want to meet the heart hunger of their people.

More Bible study will mean stronger, more effective churches. Let us provide for more such study, and at the same time keep all of our programs Bible centered.

## Good Advice

Recently we read a story which bears repeating. A fine Baptist layman from a church in Texas, was completing his work on his Ph.D. in a northern university, when he became acquainted with a young minister who was about to complete his work on his Th.D.

One day the young theologian confided in the Texan that he had been called to the pastorate of a church in the Midwest but did not know what to do about it. He said, "The church is conservative, and believes and teaches that the Bible is literally true, and that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. I do not believe those things, and I do not know what

to do."

"Well, I can tell you what to do," said the Texan.

"What?" asked the young minister.

"Quit the ministry, and go into something else," replied the layman from the South.

How wise was this answer. If a man does not believe the Bible, and that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and Saviour, he has no business in the ministry. He has nothing to preach, and no message from God to deliver. The sooner he leaves the ministry the better off it will be for the churches, the world, and for him.

## "QUOTABLES"

Selected by the editor from contemporary thought and opinion

IF A MAN does not make new acquaintance as he advances through life he will soon find himself alone. A man should keep his friendship in constant repair.—Samuel Johnson (1775)

DO ALL THE GOOD you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can.—John Wesley

BETTER is a handful with quietness, than both the hands full with travail and vexation of spirit.—Ecclesiastes 4:6

LESS, hope more; eat less, chew more; whine less, breathe more; say more; hate less, love more; and all good things are yours.—Proverbs

WISDOM is too much.—George Herbert (1851)



## THE BAPTIST FORUM

### Dr. Criswell's Secretary Writes

Dear Dr. Odle:

After reading your superb editorial entitled "Dr. W. A. Criswell," I could not refrain from writing this word of deepest gratitude. Your article definitely presents a most accurate and true picture of our pastor.

Every morning of the week, except the Lord's Day, this man of God can be found in his study, buried under mountains of books, lexicons and biblical encyclopedias. He diligently searches out God's truths and meticulously prepares the messages which are so powerfully delivered in his own pulpit, in evangelistic crusades, in convention halls and in national assemblies throughout the earth. He is

truly a most brilliant Bible scholar and he never ceases to amaze those of us who have the glorious privilege of sharing with him in this great ministry of the First Baptist church in Dallas.

With deep appreciation for the wonderful witness of your meaningful publication, I am

Mrs. Bailey Forester  
Pastor's Secretary  
First Baptist Church  
Dallas, Texas

#### Likes Article

Dear Sir:

I have just read the article, "The Unbearable Yoke," in the June 28 issue of the Baptist Record. I think it was very thoughtful of you to publish it. I consider it an outstanding article, and I wish more such articles were published in various papers and magazines.

I have a suggestion to make. Why not, quite frequently, run the subscription format of the magazine "Church and State"? If this is the proper procedure you probably could get many people to subscribe to it by running such a notice. It is badly needed.

Many Baptists seem to engage in life-fighting rather than concentrating on the enemy. I consider Catholicism right next to communism when considering enemies to freedom.

Marvin F. Strum  
A01 St. Charles Avenue,  
Biloxi, Miss.

### Bus Breaks Down Enroute To Gulfshore

Dear Editor:

What would you do if you were enroute to Biloxi from Brookhaven, Mississippi, after dark, and still twenty or thirty miles from your destination, traveling on a Church bus with fourteen people and their luggage aboard—and suddenly the bus breaks down with a worn out differential?

We had just passed through the NASA testing center and were about thirty or forty minutes from our motel rooms at Gulf Palms Motor Hotel in Pass Christian. The bus refused to go any further; it was quite hot, and dark, with very little traffic to and from the NASA testing site! The only thing that moved for fifteen long minutes was an armadillo crossing the fourlane highway.

The first automobile that appeared stopped when we signalled and promised to stop at the first telephone to help secure some assistance. Mr. Sam Pernicaro of Bay St. Louis was on the spot with his wrecker within thirty-five minutes after we stopped the passing car. Within another few minutes Manager Tom Douglas from Gulfshore Baptist Assembly was there to convey the party to Pass Christian to our motel rooms. The next morning at five o'clock sharp the Gulfshore bus picked us up at the motel and carried us to Biloxi to meet our appointment with the fishing boat. While we enjoyed a day of fishing, Mr. Pernicaro repaired the bus and delivered it to the pier, arriving within five minutes of the time the boat pulled up to the dock.

These Mississippi friends, how could we do without them? And these wonderful people of the management and staff of the Gulfshore and Kittiwake Baptist Assemblies, we could never say enough about them. Through the Baptist Record we would like to say a hearty THANK YOU from the young people of Pearlhaven Baptist Church to so many who helped so much to turn a tragedy into an enjoyable experience!

Ralph E. Brady, Pastor  
Pearlhaven Baptist Church  
Brookhaven, Mississippi

## THE EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

Recently it was our privilege to attend the mid-week prayer meeting of the First Baptist Church, Hot Springs, Ark., where Rev. Lehman F. Webb's pastor. The service had one unusual feature which made it a most meaningful prayer meeting experience, since we had not seen it elsewhere. The meeting opened with the usual singing and prayer period, followed by the pastor leading in a most helpful Bible study. Then, after prayer requests were made and discussed, the congregation was divided into four groups, which moved to the corner of the auditorium, where each group, led by the pastor, or a layman, spent a period in prayer in which numerous individuals participated. We noticed that several persons, both men and women and young people, got on their knees, while others simply bowed in their seats. The praying continued for a period of perhaps fifteen minutes, and then the leader closed with his prayer. We noticed that groups which finished before all others were through, sat in quiet meditation until the last group was finished. It was one of the most spiritually strengthening prayer services we have attended anywhere, and we feel that this is a plan which might be followed by other churches, to make their prayer meetings more effective and to bring about larger audience participation.

#### A Message to Dissidents

"The rebels in our midst keep asking us to understand them. But I think it is time they did some understanding of their own. They should try to understand why the much maligned American system has produced the healthiest, richest, most charitable and—in most ways—the freest society on the face of the earth. If these strident, dissident groups would pay attention to why our system works and why the systems they espouse have invariably failed, they could perform a much more useful and beneficial service for all of mankind." — Jenkin Lloyd Jones, president, Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

#### A FENCE ON A HOSPITAL

Albert E. Aldrick, "When I spoke to 800 students in a state university, I was informed that the Bible should not be mentioned in the school. The afternoon I was invited to talk to about 800 men in the state penitentiary, and the warden asked me to give them the Bible truth." One state has passed a law forbidding the Bible to be read in the schools, and the same state has passed another law making it mandatory that a Bible be placed in every prison cell. What reasoning. A fence at the top of a precipice is much better than a hospital at the foot of the hill.

## NEWEST BOOKS

SAINT J. D. by James Cole and Robert Lee (Word, 165 pp., \$3.95)

The story of one of Southern Baptists' best known preachers and leaders of this generation, Dr. J. D. Grey, pastor of the First Baptist Church, New Orleans, for the past thirty-two years. Few men have wielded more influence on one great city, than has "saint J. D." in the third of a century he has been there. When he came the city was predominantly Catholic, and Baptists, while filling an important place in the religious life, still were comparatively weak in numbers. Today, Baptists are one of the great forces in the city. Dr. Grey (called "saint J. D. by his friends, ever since an anniversary medal was prepared for his 30th anniversary as pastor of the New Orleans church) would be the very last to claim that he alone led in this Baptist growth, for many factors have contributed to it without doubt his great leadership of the church, the whole religious community, and in Baptist life in the state and nation, had a large share in the advance of Baptist work in the great Southern city. The book presents Dr. Grey as he is... preacher, pastor, denominational leader, Christian statesman, citizen. His quick wit, his warm friendliness, his leadership ability, and his Christian character, all are drawn here in sharp, clear lines. The reader will chuckle often, may weep a little, and will find his own spirit warmed and lifted because of what he reads. He will stand with "saint J. D. in his pulpit, sit with him in his study, watch him in the political forum of a great community, marvel at his platform ability as Southern Baptist convention president and sense his strong Baptist convictions mixed with a genuine love and fellowship for other religious groups. All Christians should read more Christian biography. This is a good volume with which to start.

DRAMA FOR FUN by Cecil McGee (Broadman, 175 pp., \$3.95)

Here's an entire book of stunts, skits, and short humorous dramas, a regular storehouse of ideas. The fun dramas included are versatile and most can be used by various numbers of participants, and by different ages. There are "quickie" stunts that require no rehearsals, and other skits that require one or more rehearsals. Melodramas, musical skits, humorous poems for choral speaking, humorous monologues, and impromptu, audience-participation skits are also included. Mr. McGee is drama consultant in the Church Recreation Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board.

EVERYDAY, FIVE MINUTES WITH GOD compiled by William S. Cannon (Broadman, 187 pp., \$3.95)

Here is "a hundred-day devotional pilgrimage," the work of eighty different authors. The messages are as varied as the authors' personalities, but all provide emotionally-stirring depths in devotional meditations. Three of the writers are Missisippians. They are Rev. Fred Trexler, Jr., Ewilda Trenor Fancher (Mrs. James Fancher, and Dr. Russell M. McIntire.

ONE PLUS ONE EQUALS ONE by Kay K. Arvin (Broadman, Readers' Plan Selection, \$1.50, 125 pp.)

In an easy-to-read style, the author, an attorney, has written helpfully for the average person who would wish to make Christian marriage both successful and happy. This book discusses the value of courtesy, communication, appreciation, handling of finances, in-laws, responsibilities of marital partners, religious faith, personality differences, and illnesses.

PERSONS IN CRISIS by R. Lofton Hudson (Broadman, Readers' Plan Selection, 126 pp., \$1.50)

"As I have worked with people over a period of 35 years, I have become increasingly impressed with the fact that people are not trained in meeting crises," says Dr. Hudson, who is director of the Midwest Christian Counseling Center, Kansas City, Mo. Writing in popular style, he discusses such crisis situations as illegitimate birth, divorce, death, illness, in-laws, alcoholism, and neurosis. He then presents ways persons might deal with these various problems, and stresses the Christian approach to each one.

### Calendar Of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

July 21—Mrs. A. L. McGaugh, Clarke College faculty; Harold Gully, BSU Director, Miss. State University.

July 22 — Billy R. Hicks, faculty, Mississippi College; Evelyn Ayers, faculty, Gilroy School of Nursing.

July 23 — Edna Bruton, staff, Children's Village; J. N. Holloway, supt. of missions, Choctaw Association.

July 24 — Josephine D'Arpa, faculty, Carey College; Mrs. William Robertson, faculty, Blue Mountain College.

July 25 — Ralph Winders, Joe Warren, Mrs. Joyce East, Joe Abrams, Mrs. Daphne Prigden, Baptist Building employees.

July 26 — Ann Burnside, Baptist Book Store; Cooper Walton, trustee, Children's Village.

July 27 — A. A. Roebuck, Education Commission; Norman Gough, Baptist Record Advisory Committee.

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# Today's Youth



## White Bible To The Bride At Hebron

YWAs of Hebron Church, Jones County, (Rev. Roger Carlisle, pastor), recently presented a white Bible service in honor of Miss Marsha Gail Pickering, bride-elect of Roger Gibson Wade. Miss Pickering is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pickering of Hebron and her fiancé is son of Mr. and Mrs. Gibson Wade of Soso. Standing left to right: Sarah Carlisle, Kathy Anderson, Jean Hinton, Rose Perkins, Nancy Shows, Myrtis Gatlin, Mrs. Karon Pickering who directed the service, and Janice Hinton, who made the Bible presentation. Seated: Roger Wade and Gail Pickering.



## Jack Brown Speaks To 1300 Youth

YOUTH NIGHT for Hinds-Madison Association reached overflow proportions at Daniel Memorial Church, June 27. Over 1300 young people filled the auditorium with others outside to hear Jack Brown, converted drug addict, speak. There were some 60 decisions registered. Preceding the service in the auditorium a youth carnival was held featuring five choirs, a coffee house and a movie. There was an abundance of hot dogs, popcorn, candy and drinks all for ten cents to give the added carnival flavor. This was about three times as many young people as had attended in previous years.

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## "The Rebels" Of Ripley

"THE REBELS" of First Church, Ripley youth choir as they appeared in the folk musical "Good News." The choir has presented the program in South Tiptah High School auditorium, Ripley; Hickory Flat Church; First, Booneville; First, Durant; Valence St., New Orleans, La.; North Hill, Pensacola, Fla.; First, Chipley, Fla.; V. A. Hospital, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; and First, Ripley. The choir is composed of 48 young people who went on tour June 16-20. Robert C. Gray is director. The pastor is Rev. Robert W. Martin.

# Natchez Young People Involved In Illinois Project

Thirty-six young people from First Church, Natchez have just returned from Rockford, Illinois where they were involved in a two-week mission project. The trip was the culmination of preparation which lasted for over a year. Calvary Church, Rockford was host for the group.

The primary emphases of this trip were Bible Schools and music. Three mission Bible schools were held, in a park, in a school, and in the backyard of a home. One of the shocking experiences of these schools was to find a number of children who had never heard John 3:16 and "Jesus Loves Me." In spite of cold rainy weather, which probably hindered attendance, several professions of faith were recorded.

"Good News" was sung by the group in ten churches in the Rockford and Chicago area. Many decisions were made as a result of the message of this folk music.

One of the highlights of the trip was a concert and witnessing effort in a shopping mall. This was to have been one hour in length but because of the tremendous reception it lasted for two hours and fifteen minutes. Several thousand people heard the group sing and hundreds were confronted with personal witnessing by the young people.

The most memorable experience of the trip for a select group of the young people was singing, distributing tracts, giving away Good News for Modern Man at a Hippie Reunion.

Two young people from Rockford who are on the edge of the Hippie movement asked this small group to attend a Hippie Reunion which is held every Sunday afternoon. Because of rainy and cold weather only about 70 Hippies were present.

The young people who issued the invitation did not know what kind of response they would get. Prayer was answered and the group received a warm reception. The Hippies gladly accepted and most of them read the tracts distributed. Guitar playing, singing, talking, and distributing tracts continued for over two hours. Twenty-five copies of Good News for Modern Man were given to the Hippies just as fast as they could be taken from the box. These people seemed anxious to find material to read.

Other things which the group did during this trip included: secretarial work, door to door visiting, visiting prospects, person to person witnessing, leading fellowships, singing in a Dairy Queen and a large restaurant at the invitation of the managers, and setting Christian examples.

Adults participating in this trip were Mrs. S. W. Holder, Mrs. Murray Seab, Major McDaniel, Minister of Music; and Ronald Mills, Minister of Education and Youth. Any church in the area wishing to have a group of these young people share the experiences of this trip should contact Major McDaniel or Ronald Mills, at First Baptist Church, Natchez, Miss. Rev. Tom Dunlap is the Natchez pastor.



## Starkville Boys At Fishing Rodeo

UPWARD SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS of Starkville, First Church shown at fishing rodeo at Faye Lake on property of Deacon R. P. Hartness, Jr. L to R: Charles Hester; Robert Cadenhead; Clyde Herring; Bruce Barton; Mike Fondren (shown holding new reel and rod, prize for member catching most fish, the prize provided by Buddy Wofford); Jimmy Buckley; David Kennedy; Randy Wofford. David and Randy are shown holding "Rip," class mascot. Members not present: Jamie Applewhite, Ronnie Gully, Johnny Hurt, Bobby Jeffreys. Dr. D. C. Applegate is their pastor; Arlis Anderson, standing, rear, is teacher.



CAMP MONDAMIN staff members include, left to right: John Brabham, George Fields, Judy Shows, Scotty Shows, Wayne Barber, David Foster.

## Camp Mondamin Youth Teams Offer Their Talents

THE STAFF OF Camp Mondamin, a Christian camp sponsored by the YMCA and located at Pinola, would like to inform churches over the state of their desire to fill positions of leadership in such functions or events as week-end youth revivals, youth rallies, etc.

Four or five teams from the staff are available. Week-end engagements are preferred but not mandatory. Their talents include singing, music directing, playing instruments, speaking, and others.

For further information call or write Wayne K. Barber, Director, Camp Mondamin, Pinola, Mississippi 39149, phone 847-2579. In Jackson call or write Coach Charles M. Davis, 3314 Fleetwood Drive 39212, phone 372-7978.



## Briarwood Drive Church, Jackson-Rich In "State Winners"

ALL NINETEEN ENTRANTS from Briarwood Drive Church, Jackson, were state winners, in the Junior Memory Work contest sponsored by the state Training Union Department. Over half the Juniors in the church entered, and all went to the state finals. This was an unusually large number of entrants from one church. The Juniors are shown above, first row, (Left to Right) — Suzanne Day, Stella Powell, Angie Wertz, Judy Culliver, Janis Mc-

Callum, Wayne Harris, Mike McCordle. Back Row, (Left to Right) — Mary McCraney, Elaine Gathings, Mona Gilbert, Gail Gilbert, Cindy Day, Suzanne McCordle, Glenn Harris, Richard Powell. (ALL OF THE BACK ROW WERE STATE PERFECT WINNERS.) Not pictured: Mandy Fulton, Tammy Fulton, Dianne Weaver, Kathy Ming. One Intermediate from the church was Sword Drill state winner, Dianne Nichols. She is in photo at right, above.



# Summer Ranch Project May Begin City Exodus

By Robert O'Brien

DALLAS (BP) — The 13-year-old boy looked up, half suspiciously, half expectantly.

"Why do you want to talk to us? Why do you care about us?" He ignored the crowd flowing around him at the Dallas airport, squared his frail shoulders and gazed intently through strands of uncombed hair.

"In Texas, we like to make new friends," he was told, "and when that man over there told us about you guys, we knew you would be special friends."

"That man over there" — a young Baptist from San Angelo, Tex., who hopes to start a "new kind of exodus for boys like the ones who stood in the airport waiting room — was Billy Hanks Jr., and he had a unique reason for being there that day.

American Airlines Flight 85 had facilities each summer to all types just deposited the raw material for a new experiment in ranching — 12 boys, ages 12-16, from a high rise apartment in New York City, occupied by more than 20,000 tenants.

But the boys, who will spend four weeks at Hank's West Texas Ranch for Christ, near Sweetwater, Tex., this summer, are more than an experiment.

They are boys who need personal guidance; boys Hanks hopes will be the vanguard of a "mass exodus" from crowded, stifling, dehumanizing metropolitan areas to the ranches, farms and homes of Southern Baptists.

The 25-year-old Hanks explains: "I want to open the eyes of Southern Baptists to the fact that they can help solve urban problems by opening up their ranches and farms and other

of boys who have little or no chance for real life; who have never ridden a horse, seen a cow, water skied, or known the meaning of Christ or Christian fellowship."

At West Texas Ranch for Christ, Hanks, who heads his own youth evangelism team and also attends Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, has scheduled an impressive list of activities for the boys.

They'll work four hours a day at

the ranch. That was part of the deal. Then Hanks' staff of college and seminary students will conduct group therapy to help the boys understand their problems; teach them to ride and sail and swim and fish; lead them in Bible study and prayer, and hopefully win them to Christ.

"We hope to send Christians back to New York," Hanks says. "Christians who will tell other kids of their new-found faith."

## Corinth Youth Hold "Torch For Christ"

The youth of Corinth Church, Carthage, Leake County had a desire to show other young people "how everyone can have Christian fun." So the youth summer program was begun. Three meetings have been held with extremely good attendance. Officers and committee members have been

elector or appointed. A voluntary mission service which will visit the old-aged, shut-ins, and afflicted in the community has been planned.

R. N. Horn is counselor for this young people's summer program at Corinth Church.

## Wanted: Experienced Christian

by Jeannette Bankhead

Wanted: Experienced Christian to work in own neighborhood. Must be willing to work twenty-four hours a day; also willing to study and train a great deal. If interested, pray to God; will send Holy Spirit to help you.

What if this ad appeared in your newspaper? Would you answer it or would you laugh at it?

Maybe this ad does not fit you at all. Are you an experienced Christian? Has Christ taken over in your life?

What is an experienced Christian? An experienced Christian is one who has had true experience of salvation. (Read 2 Corinthians 5:7.)

How does one have this experience

of salvation?

First, you must realize that you are a sinner (a sinner is one who has done a wrong doing in the sight of God), for in Romans 3:23 the Bible says that all have sinned. What is the penalty of sin? Read Romans 6:23. How does one go about washing away his sins? through the blood of Christ. For Christ took away our sins when he died on the cross. (Read Acts 3:19.)

Second, you must believe that Christ died for you. For the Bible says in John 1:12: "But as many as received him to them gave he the power to be"

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## Fairhaven's State Winners

FAIRHAVEN CHURCH, DeSoto County, was represented by the above Juniors in Training Union Memory Work and Sword Drill competition. Left to right: Edith Murphy, associational winner; Janet Darling, state winner perfect; Kim Taylor, state winner perfect; Debbie Broadway, state winner perfect; Sharron Turner, state winner; Kathy Hanna, associational winner; and Tim Smith, state winner. Rev. Armond D. Taylor is the pastor.



## Among The Many Graduates . . .

TYPICAL OF BACCALAUREATE SERVICES HELD OVER THE state in late May was the one at Verona Baptist Church, Verona, pastor, Rev. Jim Futral. Graduates on the first row, left to right, Marilyn Ryan, Rhonda Gregory. Second row: Vicki Young, Nancy West, Darlene Johnson, Erlene Rooker, and Glenda Carter. Third row: Mary Kathryn West and Jacki Bailey. Fourth row: Tom Spearman, Donnie Nichols, Bobby Constance, Randy Bend, and David Goggins. The girls on the front row, Marilyn and Rhonda, are graduates of Tupelo High School. The rest are from Shannon High School.



## Gift Bible Ceremony At Sabougla

PICTURED ABOVE are those who took part recently in a YWA Gift Bible Ceremony in Sabougla Church, Calhoun Association. Left to right are: Mrs. H. L. Knox, leader; Genevieve Denton, YWA study leader; "Doug" Mallory, YWA activity leader and president, also the recipient of the Bible; Rev. Oliver Hood, pastor; Shirley Hollis, YWA sec.-treas.; Edna Denton, pianist; YWA member at Delta State College, and Mrs. Russell Denton, WMU president. This is the first year that Sabougla Church has had a YWA organization.



## Names In The News



Barry Walker, left, and James Henry, right, members of Van Vleet Church, Van Vleet, Miss. have surrendered to preach the gospel. Both attended Chickasaw Academy at Van Vleet last year. After they finish high school, they plan to enter a Baptist college. Both have had occasion to lead in the services in their church. Rev. Bob Mathis, pastor, states, "This is special with us at Van Vleet

Church, for it is the first time in the history of the church that anyone has surrendered to special work in the service of the Lord."

Dr. Jerry W. Lee of Jennings, Louisiana, will begin as Professor of Old Testament at Baptist Bible Institute Graceville, Fla., August 3. He is pastor of First Baptist Church of Jennings. His two previous pastorates were in Mississippi; these were Morgantown Church, Natchez; and Lucien Church, Lucien. Denominational positions include presidencies of Adam Baptist Association Pastors' Conference, and the Natchez Area Ministerial Association, Natchez, Miss., and of the Jennings, La., Ministerial Association.

Rev. and Mrs. James W. Buie, missionaries on a short furlough from Spain, may now be addressed at 715

E. Northside Dr., Jackson, Miss., 39206. He is a native of Natchez, Miss. she is the former Christine Griffith, of Tallahassee, Ala. When they were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1965, he was pastor of Woodville Heights Church, Jackson.

Monroe McManus has accepted the call as minister of music and youth at West Jackson Street Church, Tupelo. He has formerly served at First Church, Purvis, Goss Church, and First, Quitman. He is a graduate of Clarke College and William Carey College and is presently enrolled at New Orleans Seminary. He is married to the former Nadine Hanberry of Sumrall, also a graduate of William Carey.



Jennifer Kay Bryon, Clinton, Miss., has been named copywriter in the wholesale advertising and sales promotion department of the Sunday School Board, effective July 1. Miss Bryon is a native of Louisville, and a graduate of the University of Mississippi, Oxford. She was employed as a student by the Jackson (Miss.) Daily News as reporter and correspondent. She was also campus correspondent for the Associated Press. She has worked as news editor and proofreader of the University of Mississippi campus newspaper.

Rev. Fred Hartley of Vardaman, Miss., began as pastor of Pine Level Baptist Church, July 1, in the Pine Level community between Blue Springs and Louisville, Alabama.

Mr. Hartley resigned as pastor of Hickory Hill Baptist Church, Westville, Florida. He will begin his third year at Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, Fla., August 27; he expects to graduate in January, 1971. Mrs. Hartley was Glenda Mooneyham of Vardaman.

Rev. and Mrs. Norman R. Beckham, missionaries to Venezuela, were scheduled to fly to the States on July 1 for furlough (address: 1020 W. Park, Oklahoma City, Okla., 73106). Born in Salinas, Calif., Mr. Beckham lived in Westville and Okmulgee, Okla., and Independence, Mo., while growing up. Mrs. Beckham the former Donna Matthews, born in Nashville, Tennessee, grew up in Jackson, Miss.

Rev. and Mrs. W. Arthur Compere, missionaries who have completed furlough in the States, are scheduled to return to Nigeria on July 7 (address: Baptist College, Iwo Mission Postal Agency, Iwo, Nigeria). Native Mississippians, he is from Florence; she, the former Doris Meek, born in Aberdeen, grew up in Pontotoc County. They were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1965.

Rev. and Mrs. Mark M. Alexander, Jr., missionaries who have completed furlough in the States, were scheduled to return to Argentina on June 27 (address: Casilla 344, Mar del Plata, Argentina). He is a native of South Norfolk, Va., and she, the former Cecile Price, of Corinth, Miss. When they were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1966, he was pastor of Cojock, Poplar Branch, and Rehobeth Baptist Churches, all near Cojock, N. C.

### "Good Citizen"

Sandra Bloodworth, an art major at Mississippi College, from Charleston, Mississippi, has continued citizenship activities with 4-H Club into her college life.



She is involved in many areas of citizenship in Clinton and Jackson while she attends school. Her interest in citizenship is not one that just developed this year, for she was also quite active in her home town while in high school. Some of her activities were: planning and holding workshops, organizing a citizenship club, speaking to civic organizations, helping with litter campaigns, and working with the junior 4-H clubs. The highlight of Sandra's citizenship project was a trip to National Citizenship Shortcourse in Washington, D. C., which she won last summer.

Mrs. John C. Zachary of Laurel has completed her sixteenth year of perfect attendance at all the services of her church, including Sunday school, Training Union, WMU, prayer meeting, and worship services. She is the only person in the Southern Baptist Convention, so far as is known, with such a record. She has in

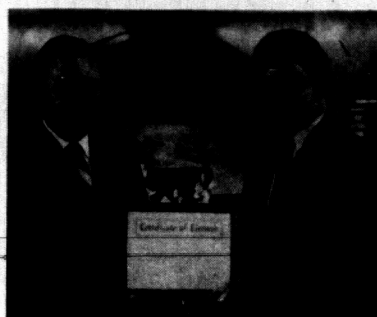


past been recognized at the annual meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention, and recently received a letter of commendation from Dr. W. A. Criswell, president, SBC. Mrs. Zachary is a member of Second Avenue Church, Laurel.

Chaplain (Capt.) Thomas W. Black, Jr., has recently been selected for promotion to Major. Chaplain Black is now stationed at Webb A. F. B., Texas, but is being transferred to Brindisi, Italy. Son of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Black, he is married to the former Juanita Todd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Todd of Grenada. They have four children; Cathy 14, Tommy 12, Chris 8, and Kimberly 6. The Blacks will be visiting with their parents in July before going to Italy.

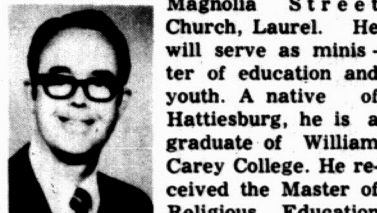


Dr. Hugh Dickens, a native of Collins, has been named chairman of the department of education and psychology at William Carey College. Dr. Dickens was awarded the doctor of education degree from the University of Southern Mississippi in May of this year. He is the son of Mrs.



Jon Doler was licensed to the ministry June 22 at Bethany Church, State Springs (Calhoun Association). Jon at right above, preached at the morning service, and was presented the Certificate of License by Rev. Martin Williams (left) pastor. He is attending Miss. College this summer, and is available for supply work. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Doler, State Springs.

Elmo McLaurin, minister of music and education, Amelia Church, Beaumont, Texas has joined the staff of Magnolia Street Church, Laurel. He will serve as minister of education and youth. A native of Hattiesburg, he is a graduate of William Carey College. He received the Master of Religious Education degree from New Orleans Seminary. Mrs. McLaurin, the former Sandra Pryor, also a native Mississippian, is a graduate of William Carey College. They have two children, Tanya, four, and Stuart, 8 months.



Harold Watkins has accepted a call as Minister of Music for Magnolia Street Church, Laurel. A native of Hattiesburg, he is a graduate of William Carey College. In 1967, he received a Master of Music Education degree from the University of Southern Mississippi. He is presently Band and Choral Director, Jones Junior High School, Laurel. He has served a number of churches as Minister of Music, including North Main Mission, Forrest County; Union Church, Covington County; First Church, Raleigh; and Minister of Youth, West Laurel Church.



Bertha Dickens of Collins and is a graduate of Salem High School. Dr. Dickens is a member of University Baptist Church, Hattiesburg. He is a deacon and is serving as superintendent of the Sunday school.

## Unusual Ministry At Ist, Boyle

The Bible says "And they continued daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." (Acts 2:46-47)

"The membership of First Baptist Church, Boyle can testify to the effectiveness of a united spirit and prayerful lives. They have canceled their August revival. They canceled it because the spirit of revival is moving weekly in their midst and is manifest in each of the services," states Rev. H. S. Rogers, pastor.

"This church is moving out under the inspiration and guidance of the Holy Spirit," he continues. "They believe God! Each service is finding the sanctuary occupied by the regular membership along with many strangers."

The ordinance of Baptism has become a regular part of the morning worship service. The service opens with the Call to Worship, the pastor reading scripture concerning baptism from the baptismal pool, and is followed immediately by the baptismal service. The congregation joins voices then to sing The Doxology. Thirty-four were received into the membership of the church during the month of June.

Nearly every day finds the pastor visiting a new home. He does in answer to telephone requests from disturbed individuals or families in his area. Sometimes they simply walk in to the office and ask assistance. Many of them are led to the Lord through the Scriptures and prayer and there find the answer to their needs. Sunday evening's service includes the Call to Prayer for those who are troubled, who have special needs or simply want to pray with other Christians. Many are finding additional inspiration there and remain to worship with the congregation. Many kneel at the foot of the pulpit while others, unable to kneel for physical reasons, find seats with friends on the front pews which are reserved for that purpose.

## Mississippi Baptists Work At Glorieta

GLORIETA, N. M. — Nine Mississippi Baptists are serving on the staff at Glorieta Baptist Assembly this summer.

They are Marilyn Richards, Caledonia; Patricia Williamson, Prentiss; Billy Carson Garrett, Harrisville; Vickie Ann Russell, Biloxi; Lana Andrews, Como; Cathy Janelle Tarver, Skene; Beth Scott, Meridian; Diane Buchanan, Meridian; and Martha Ray Anglin, Mount Olive.

## Training Union

Two State Training Union Directors To Share Conference Leadership At Gulfshore



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The Training Union Directors of Mississippi and Louisiana will share the responsibilities of directing two Training Union Leadership Conferences to be held at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly July 23-30 and July 31-August 2. They will also share leadership of the workshop for General Officers during both conferences.

Charles Lowry is the Training Union Director for Louisiana and Kermit S. King is the Training Union Director for Mississippi. These two men have been responsible for building an outstanding faculty for the wonderful training opportunities being offered during these leadership conferences.

Reservations can be secured by writing to Gulfshore Baptist Assembly, Pass Christian, Mississippi. Total cost for one of these conferences should not exceed \$18.00 in the best facilities available at the assembly. This includes a reservation fee of \$2.00 required with each request.

## MUSIC

## Second Junior Music Week Gulfshore Baptist Assembly

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A few spaces are still available. Write Rev. Tom Douglas, Gulfshore Assembly, Pass Christian, TODAY for reservations.

### Wanted Special - - -

(Continued from page 5) come the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name."

What is your guarantee of salvation? Read the fourteenth chapter of John, and II Timothy 1:12.

If you wish a better understanding of salvation read the following verses: Matthew 4:4; Luke 3:3; St. John 14:6; St. John 10:28-29; St. John 3:6-7; St. John 10:10; Acts 2:38; Romans 5:8; Romans 8:15-16; Corinthians 6:9-11; Ephesians 2:8-9; Philippians 4:6-7; Colossians 2:12-14; 2 Timothy 3:15; 1 Peter 3:18.

If you are an experienced Christian, won't you take the job? You are very badly needed. Your calling is found in the third chapter of Philippians, the 13th and 14th verses. Open your Bible and read this with an open heart, for God is calling all of his children (Christians) to go out and witness for the Prize. What is the Prize? "The high calling of God in Christ Jesus." It is your duty as a Christian to go and tell of God's great love. "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are become new." (2 Corinthians 5:17.) Also please read Luke 8:23. Go and tell the world of his love and you shall be rewarded in heaven.

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Inflation has led many of your sister churches to examine their pastors' retirement situation and then pay for their protection in the Southern Baptist Protection Program. Together, with Social Security, the Protection Program will offset the soaring cost of living and lighten the pastor's financial burden at retirement.

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# SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON ———— LIFE AND WORK CURRICULUM

## Heirs Of The Promise

Genesis 26:15; 28:10-22;  
32:22-32; 35:1-15;  
37:23-28; 45:1-15;  
46:1-7

By Clifton J. Allen

God's covenant with Abraham had continuity and validity beyond Abraham. It applied to his descendants who were heirs of the promise. A large number of representative Bible passages provide the background for our lesson. These highlight a succession of important events: the renewal of the covenant with Isaac; the confirmation of the covenant to Jacob, whose spiritual journey from Bethel to Peniel and back to Bethel prepared him for his role as "Israel", the divine providences by which Joseph, sold into slavery by his brothers but later established as ruler in Egypt, was to become the means of preserving a nation and opening the way for the family of Jacob to dwell for a time in Egypt. Behind these events was the sovereign purpose of God to prepare a nation to serve him and to be the medium of his redemption for mankind.

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### The Lesson Explained

Jacob At Bethel (28:10-14)

When Jacob set out from Beersheba to go to Haran, he doubtless felt insecure and fearful, perhaps to some degree guilty for the way he had obtained the birthright blessing from Isaac. Now God spoke to Jacob through a dream. The important aspect of the dream was God's initiative in identifying himself to Jacob as the God of Abraham and the God of Isaac, and God's declaring to Jacob that the covenant made with Abraham and Isaac would apply also to Jacob and his descendants. Here Jacob became aware of God not simply as the family God but as his own God. Jacob discovered that he was accountable to God.

A New Name (35:9-12)

After some years in Haran, during which Jacob gained a family and a large possessions, God called him to return to the land of his fathers. Learning that Esau was coming to meet him with four hundred men, Jacob took every precaution to appease Esau's anger, when they should meet. Still Jacob needed to learn more of God's purpose for him. God wrestled with Jacob until he brought him to the point of willing submission and spiritual commitment. This was a turning point in his life. Following reconciliation with Esau, Jacob returned to Shechem. But Jacob needed to return all the way to Bethel in fulfillment of his vow of dedication to God. And there God appeared to Jacob again to confirm his new name Israel and renew the promise previously made of numerous descendants and of the Promised Land for an inheritance. Appropriately, he set up an altar and worshiped his God. Jacob was now a new man with a new name. His name, properly interpreted, emphasizes God's prevailing over him in order to bless him.

God's Faithfulness (46:1-4)

The later chapters of Genesis focus on Joseph, Jacob's son by Rachel. He was sold into slavery and taken to Egypt, but there Joseph's character proved his fitness to be God's instrument for a great purpose. He showed magnanimity toward his brothers in forgiving the wrong they had done him. He also arranged for Jacob and all his family to settle in Egypt. But before Jacob left Beersheba, he seems to have sought again the leading of God. We thus have the truth impressed that the migration of Israel into Egypt was of divine ordering. God was choosing the way for his people. They were not to remain in that land permanently but were to return to the land of their fathers. Thus God set in their hearts faith and hope toward the future and toward the fulfillment of a sacred covenant and a holy heritage.

### Truths to Live By

Christians are heirs of the promise. —The promise made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob is not simply a matter of ancient history. The promise is confirmed to us. Therefore, we are the called out people of God, the new Israel. We are set apart for his unique purpose in the earth. Every Christian is meant to be a spiritual pioneer, an adventurer in the service of Christ, to undertake some great task for God.

God's promises became a trust and a challenge. —Every promise about prayer ought to encourage the Christian to pray. Every promise about the guidance and power of the Holy Spirit obligates the Christian to follow his direction and lay hold on his power to do the work of Christ. The promise that hardship and persecution, endured with fortitude and faith, can be turned into blessing should cause

the Christian to count such experiences as opportunities to demonstrate the sufficiency of God's grace and the reality of Christ's lordship.

God strives with men. —The experience of Jacob at Peniel is instructive for us in many ways. God strives with us to bring us to the point of recognizing our weakness, that we may be willing to receive and trust his strength.

## Largest Class Graduates From Luther Rice

Fifty-two theological students of Luther Rice Seminary graduated on May 16 in the sanctuary of Central Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida. This was the largest graduating class since the beginning of the Seminary seven years ago, according to President Robert G. Witty.

Jack Stanton of the Home Mission Board, Atlanta, gave the commencement address.

The graduating class represented fifteen states. The two from Mississippi were James Clifford Harvey and Melvin Leroy Worthington.

## Bethel, Drew, Calls Beck

Rev. Charlie Beck, formerly pastor of Third Street Church, New Orleans, La., began his pastorate of Bethel Church, Drew, on June 29.

A native of Bolivar County, he attended Delta State College and New Orleans Seminary.

Radio announcer and gospel disc jockey for many years, he has had a radio ministry since his surrender to the gospel ministry. He has been preaching in churches in Mississippi, Louisiana and Arkansas.

He surrendered to the gospel ministry in the Northside Church of Greenville.

Mr. Beck and his wife, Earline, have seven children, ages 15 years to 3 years, four girls and three boys.

He and his family have moved to the pastorate in Drew. They were honored with a fellowship dinner on Sunday, June 29 by the deacons and members of Bethel Church, Drew.



### Member At Bethel Since '68

Miss Mattie Duffie celebrated her 95th birthday on June 25. She is a member of Bethel Church, Coldwater, where she still attends regularly, and where she has been a member since 1888. "Her wonderful Christian life has been an inspiration to many people," states her pastor, Rev. Roy C. Wilson.

## Joe Hudson, Sr. Dies

Joseph B. Hudson, Sr., member of Beech Grove Baptist Church, Pattison, died at his home on June 11, after a long illness. A licensed Baptist preacher, he had been a member of Beech Grove for over fifty years.

Funeral services were held at the funeral home in Natchez and at the Lebanon Methodist Church in McBride Cemetery.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Fannie Hudson; four daughters, Mrs. Margie Loftin, Mrs. Sylvia Bowman, Mrs. Frances Barrett, Mrs. Annette Nesler; four sons, J. B. Jr., Boyd, John Paul, Edward, and Corrie; 26 grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Mr. Hudson was born August 19, 1902. He was married to the former Fannie Smith on November 25, 1923.

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## The Disciples' Distinctiveness

Matt. 5:13-20

By Bill Duncan

There were many people who came to hear the great teacher speak. Many followed him because they wanted to hear more. A few gave him their full commitment. These were the disciples that wanted to be different because he was different.



Jesus used many figures to describe the Christian role in the world. Jesus had come with a purpose and he wanted the disciples to carry out His purpose. He said, "Ye are the salt of the earth," and "Ye are the light of the world." These two statements describe the nature of discipleship. The purpose of the disciples was to outlive the Scribes and Pharisees in morals and faith.

### The Nature of Discipleship

Through the years the idea of salt has been used to describe someone's solid worth and usefulness. Salt has been highly valued. Most writers connect salt with their special qualities.

(1) Salt has been connected with purity. The Romans said it was the purest of all things because it came from the sun and the sea. Therefore, the Christians who were the salt of the earth must have been examples of purity. One can be a standard of purity in speech and conduct.

(2) Salt was connected with preservatives. Salt keeps things from going bad and holds decay off. In the Christian life, salt preserves from corruption. Barclay says the Christian has a "certain antiseptic influence on life." In the presence of those who are the salt of the earth, it is easy to be good.

(3) Salt is connected with flavor. Food without salt is hard to eat. Christianity is to life what salt is to food. "Christianity lends flavor to life. The Christian disciple is the happiest person. The disciple should be radiant. The thing that causes disciples to lose their salty effect is uselessness. This always invites disaster.

For Jesus to call his disciples the light of the world was to use an expression that was quite familiar to the Jews. He was demanding that they be nothing less than what he was himself, "I am the light of the world." Everyone was quite sure that none of the disciples had kindled his own light. The disciples were a reflection of His light. This means at least three things.

(1) The light is something which is meant to be seen. A man's Christianity should be perfectly visible to all men. This is not just for the church crowd. This light is to shine in the world. (2) The light is to be a guide. The light of the world is to make clear the way for others as an example. The disciples were to take the lead in morals and Godly living so that others could follow.

(3) The light is to be a warning light. The disciples must stand up and warn in love. This is a hard task but necessary because of danger and influence.

The reflection must not draw attention to itself but to Jesus Christ who is the light of the world. The aim for our discipleship must be to glorify the Father who is in Heaven. The goodness of the life must draw attention to God. Always it is what God has enabled the disciples to do that counts.

**The Purpose of Discipleship**  
Jesus shocked his disciples by asking them to be better than the Scribes and Pharisees. However, he gave full support to the Old Testament but condemned the Scribes' law. The Scribes made it their business to reduce the great principles of the law to literally thousands of rules and regulations. Jesus never did break the Ten Commandments, but he was accused of breaking man's interpretation of the law. It was too hard to keep the legalistic rules.

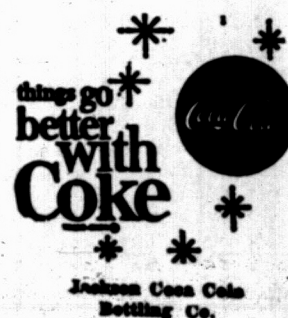
Jesus fulfilled the law by showing in actual life what reverence for God and respect for men is like. This speaks of the proper relationship to God and fellowman. Jesus put man under a harder standard, that kills all pride and forces one to Jesus Christ who alone can enable man to rise to that standard which He sets. This something that man has never fully grasped.

Therefore, the true purpose of the disciple was to show a greater reverence for God and the fellow-men of this earth. They were commanded to exceed the religious rules of Jesus' day. This only judged the actions, but Jesus was to judge the hearts.

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## Devotional

## David: Hero Who Dared To March Alone

By Bartis Harper, Pastor, First Church, Morton  
Scripture — I Samuel 17:37



David, the youngest son of Jesse, the most romantic character of the Old Testament, and one of the greatest men of the Bible is described as "a man after God's own heart." He suffered from the ill-will and jealousy of his older brothers. He was overshadowed by seven brothers, all bigger than he. He was a boy among men. He was small among the strong and stalwart. He was the shepherd boy who did not count. God looked where man could not and saw what man could not—"a man after God's own heart." He saw a man who would do His will. He saw a man who would follow in the light that he had. He saw a man obedient and faithful.

David slays Goliath. Goliath was nine feet eight inches tall. He boasted of his strength. David, the youth of wonderful faith in God slew the giant champion of the Philistines and saved Israel from slavery. This remarkable feat emphasizes two things for us in the character of David: (1) that the Spirit of God was, indeed, upon him; and (2) that David had great faith in God and depended upon God in a way which speaks to us of unusual spiritual maturity for a teenage boy. David's courage rested, therefore, upon his confident belief that the living God would not let His people be defied by the heathen with impunity.

David had a secret for success. At every turn we are impressed with David's faith in God and his dependence upon God. He founded his own assurance of victory upon the almighty God of Israel, whom the Philistine had defied. He depended upon God for strength and guidance. He displayed rare faith in God. Inner greatness can never be achieved aside from faith and dependence upon God.

David had youthful enthusiasm. He who trusts in God should be as a pillar of fire, burning bright in the darkness of terror, and making a rallying point for weaker hearts. When panic has seized others, the Christian soul has the more reason for courage. It is quite true that David was but a youth, and Goliath a giant and a veteran, but is that all that is to be said? Saul was guilty of leaving out God. David put his trust in God; that makes the difference. David knew God would give him victory over Goliath.

David had the equipment of Faith. Saul meant to secure David by dressing him in his own royal attire. David felt safer with no armour but his shepherd's dress and with only his sling in his hand. The giant resents the insult of sending such a foe to fight him with such weapons. Goliath is not to be encountered with sword and armour. It is possible for the Christian to be hampered and smothered with Saul's harness. The Christian needs the equipment of Faith.

It was not an Army that leveled the blaspheming Goliath in the dust of defeat; it was a young shepherd boy, David, a hero who dared to march alone!

### Dr. Moore Celebrates 10th Anniversary At 1st Church, Pontotoc

On Sunday, July 20, Dr. W. Levon Moore will begin his tenth year as pastor of First Church, Pontotoc. During the nine years there have been 540 additions to the church, with 213 of these being by baptism. Total receipts have been approximately \$700,000 with \$380,000 going for missions. The church led the state in per capita

gifts to missions one year, and was second in per capita mission giving two other years.

The church has increased its budget from \$42,266.67 to \$92,738.14. The value of the church property has increased from \$275,000 to \$700,000, with major additions being the construction of a new parsonage, the purchase of property and paving a parking lot, and the construction of a \$263,000 educational building.

During most of these nine years Mrs. Moore has served as organist and choir director; and the choir enrollment grew from 53 in 1959 to over

Fellowship, Taylorsville: July 18-19, Dr. W. E. Greene, pastor of Shady Grove Church, Magee, evangelist, Wilmer Hollifield, singer. Mrs. Joe R. McWilliams, pianist; Sunday services at regular hours; week-day services at 7:30 p.m. Rev. Wilson J. Murray, pastor.

Dry Creek Church, (Florence): July 20-25; morning services 10:30; night 7:30; Rev. Danny Hood, First Church, Progress (Pike), evangelist; Horace Nash, music director; Teresa Johnson, pianist; Rev. Jerry Glass, pastor.

Pleasant Grove (Lincoln): July 20-25; dinner on the ground Sunday, July 20; services at 10 a. m. and 7:30 p.m. daily; Rev. S. A. Adkins (pictured), pastor of Central Church, McComb, evangelist; Rev. Richard Gordon, pastor, in charge of music.



Good Hope (Winston): July 27-August 1; Rev. Charles Stubblefield, pastor of First Church, Crowder, evangelist; Jerry Nance, music director at Good Hope, directing the singing; Rev. E. S. Hall, pastor; services at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. during week; regular hours on Sunday.

Ingalls Avenue Church, Pascagoula: youth revival; July 18, 19, 20; Rev. L. C. Newell (pictured), associate pastor at Ingalls Avenue, evangelist; Rev. Grady B. Parker, pastor. (Mr. Newell, a second-year theology student at New Orleans Seminary, is available for supply preaching and youth revivals. He may be contacted at Ingalls Avenue Baptist Church, P. O. Box 358, Pascagoula, Miss.)



200 at the end of 1968.

Dr. Moore has been a member of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board for five years; has served on the Executive Committee four years; was Secretary of the Executive Committee two years; was Secretary of the Convention Board one year; and is now serving as President of the Convention Board. He is also one of Mississippi's two representatives on the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

### Student Gives Music Instruction At Shady Grove

Shady Grove Church, Hazlehurst, recently used the state Music Department plan for a music program. The Music Department furnished a college student, Dewayne Tanton, at Clarke College, through a summer music program in providing music leadership and instruction for Vacation Bible School in the morning and a school of music each evening.

The pastor, Rev. H. Glen Schilling, highly recommends this music program to any church that does as have a full-time music director.

### Missionary Saves Life Brazilian Girl, Four

Missionary R. Elton Johnson, Jr., of Sao Paulo, Brazil, former Mississippian, saved the life of a four-year-old Brazilian girl by pulling her from a burning car.

Mr. Johnson and his family had been to Campinas for their annual physical examinations and were returning to Sao Paulo City, his headquarters as director of student work for Sao Paulo State Baptist convention. He saw the bodies of a woman and two children on the highway. Immediately ahead of him a wrecked car was bursting into flames.

Thinking the people on the highway already dead, Mr. Johnson ran to the flaming car. A man was completely ablaze just beyond the missionary's reach. In the back seat he saw the burning form of a child. When he tried to pull her from the wreckage he found her legs were pinned under the front seat. The missionary thrust her with a hard pull, smothered the flames, and took her a safe distance from the car. He returned to the car, but it was too late to rescue the driver.

The victims were taken to a hospital, but only the girl rescued by Mr. Johnson survived the accident. She is recovering in a Sao Paulo hospital, where numerous skin grafts have been made.

Missionary Richard B. Douglas, of Campinas, who reported the incident to the Foreign Mission Board, said the girl is the granddaughter of a wealthy Brazilian businessman.

"A grateful family have opened their home and their hearts to the Johnsons," he said, "and the missionaries have had opportunity to witness to their faith."

## Revival Dates

Mt. Zion (Simpson): Homecoming and summer revival, July 20-25; Rev. Giles Hanks, First Church, Mize, evangelist; services daily 8:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; dinner on the ground Sunday, July 20, with the morning services at the usual time and afternoon services at 1:30; Rev. Gerald Aultman, pastor.

Macedonia Church, Lincoln County: begins Sunday July 20 with dinner after morning service and goes through Friday July 25: morning services 10:00; evening services 7:30; evangelist — Dr. Jewell Kyzar; song leader — Thomas Walsh; interim pastor — Rev. Bradley Oope.

Heuck's Retreat (Lincoln): July 20-25; Rev. Cliff Perkins, pastor, First Church, Greenwood, evangelist; music by local talent; Sunday, July 20, morning and afternoon services with lunch in Fellowship Hall; weekday services at 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. R. A. Coulter, pastor.

Laden Church (Franklin): July 20-25; Rev. C. G. Carraway, pastor, Calvary, Cleveland, evangelist; Rufus Noble, song leader; Sunday services at 11 and 7:30; weekday services at 10:30 and 7:30; Rev. Julius B. Gonia, pastor.

Matoba (Yalobusha): July 20-25; Rev. Ed McDaniels, pastor, Cowart Church, evangelist; music under direction of A. M. Moore III, pastor; services at 10 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Pepier Springs (Copiah): July 20-25; services Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7:45 p.m.; weekday services at 7:45 p.m.; Rev. George Meadows, assistant pastor, First, Hazlehurst, evangelist; W. L. Walker, song leader; Rev. Gay Little, pastor.

Langino (Neshoba): July 20-25; Sunday services at 11 a.m. and 8 p.m.; weekday services at 10:30 a.m. and 8 p.m.; Rev. Emerson Tedder, East Philadelphia Church, evangelist; Grady Copeland, song director; Mrs. Galen Herrington, pianist; Rev. Byron Kornegay, pastor.

Jelicho, Guntown: July 20-25; Rev. Neil Moore, pastor, Northside Church, New Albany, evangelist; Jerry Crawford, minister of music at Jericho, singer; services at 11 a.m. and 7:45 p.m.; Rev. Adron Horne, pastor.

Path Church, (Lincoln County): July 20-27; Rev. W. E. Henderson, pastor, Sunflower Church, evangelist; Rev. Allen Stephens, pastor, First

Church, Braxton, singer; Services each night at 7:30 and each morning Monday through Friday at 7:00; Rev. J. G. Winscott, pastor.

Briar Hill (Rankin): July 20-25; Services Sunday at 11:00 a.m. and 7:15 p.m.; services Monday through Friday at 6:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Dr. Jerry W. Lee, pastor, First Church, Jennings, Louisiana, evangelist; music under direction of Jacqueline Polk, dinner on the ground after the morning service July 20; Rev. Winfred Lowery, pastor.

Pilgrim's Rest (Copiah): July 20-27; services at regular time on Sundays; evening services only during the week, 7:30 p.m.; Dr. E. B. Landrum, Jr., Wesson, evangelist; Rev. V. R. Crider, pastor.

Oakvale Church (Lawrence County): July 20-25; Sunday services at 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., with dinner on the ground following the morning service; weekday services at 8:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Philip Lott, evangelist; Jimmy Cutrell, minister of music at Prentiss Church, Prentiss, in charge of music.

Wayside, Scobey: August 10-15; Rev. Edgar Harvey, Gore Springs, evangelist; Rev. William G. West, Jr., pastor; homecoming on Sunday, August 10; former members, pastors, and neighbors invited.

Country Church, Ashland: July 27-August 1; Rev. William West, pastor of Wayside Church, Scobey, evangelist; Rev. Ted Lambert, pastor.



### To Leave On Mission Trip To Rio Grande Valley

The youth choir of Morrison Heights Church, Clinton, will leave July 18 on a mission trip to the Texas Rio Grande Valley. The group will be staying in Brownsville where they will be singing nightly in revival services at Woodruff Avenue Church, Rev. Wayne Evans, pastor. During the day, the young people will be visiting door-to-door, taking census, passing out tracts, and telling people of their beliefs. The choir also plans to sing in some churches in Matamoros, Mexico. Bob G. Magee is minister of music at Morrison Heights.—Rev. Charles Gentry is pastor.

### Moves To Ohio

Rev. J. D. Johnson has resigned the Lena Church at Lena to accept the call of First Baptist Church, Fairborn, Ohio (suburb of Dayton). Mr. Johnson will serve as associate pastor and director of education and evangelism. The church has a staff of nine, four of whom are ordained.



The church in Fairborn was organized in 1953 with 59 charter members and now is the second largest church in Ohio with 1400 in Sunday school. It has sponsored nine missions, eight of which are constituted into churches. First, Fairborn is leading Ohio in baptisms this year. Rev. Aubert Rose Jr., is the pastor.

Mr. Johnson is the son of the late Rev. I. E. Johnson who preached in Mississippi for forty years, and Mrs. Johnson who lives in Houston. He is married to the former Bonnie Young of Fulton. He is a graduate of Mississippi College and holds the Th.M. degree from New Orleans Seminary.

Eighty million Americans are drinkers of some form of alcohol—about 30 percent of them are women. A recent survey showed that one-third of Junior and Senior High School students drink regularly.

**1800 DRINKERS PER DAY LOSE LICENSES** according to statistics compiled by the Driver Register Service of the National Highway Safety Bureau. That figures out to approximately 650,000 driver revocations annually in the United States because of "drunk driving" or "drinking while under the influence of alcohol."



### Giant Youth Rally July 20 In Pascagoula

Pictured above are 75 young people and their leaders who attended the youth officers clinic held at First Church, Moss Point. They represent 13 churches. This meeting was the first in Jackson Association's special youth emphasis in July. Some 23 churches are giving special youth emphasis this month. Events include week-end revivals, week-long revivals, Billy Graham films. The climax of the month will be Sunday afternoon, July 20, 2:30 o'clock, First Church, Pascagoula. This is to be a Giant Youth Rally with two members of the Billy Graham team, Ted Cornell and Steve Musto, in a concert of sacred music. The attendance goal is 1,000, according to Rev. Zeno Wells, superintendent of missions.

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MISS SARAH SPAIN, an assistant in the Foreign Mission Board's department for missionary personnel, finds herself in a photo of the 1966 missionary journey. Looking on are Rev. Robert W. Fields, director of journeyman training for 1969, and Dr. Stanley A. Nelson, the Board's associate secretary for missionary personnel in charge of the Missionary Journeyman Program.

## 71 Begin Missionary Journeyman Training

Seventy-one young college graduates arrived at Virginia Interment College, Bristol, on Saturday, June 14, for eight weeks of intensive training for overseas mission work. Those who successfully complete the training will be commissioned in Richmond, Va., August 7, as Southern Baptists' 1969 missionary journeymen.

Rev. Robert W. Fields, director of this year's training, said journeymen take a risk as they move into foreign cultures. They subject themselves in three words — affirmation, proclamation, penetration.

A Kentuckian, Mr. Fields was born in Covington and reared in Livingston. He and Mrs. Fields, who were appointed missionaries to Israel in 1962, are currently on furlough. They



### Ten Mississippians To Receive Degree At Southwestern

Ten from Mississippi will receive degrees during summer commencement services at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, on July 18. Top row, left to right: Mary Elizabeth Still (Mrs. Patrick Henry Still), Jacksonville, Alabama, (graduate of William Carey) MCM; Patrick H. Still, Jacksonville, Ala., (graduate of Carey) B.D.; Mike Herrington,

Prentiss, MRE; Hamilton H. Valentine, Hattiesburg, MRE; James D. Goodwin, Pascagoula, M. Div. Second row, 1 to 5: James M. Keith, Jackson, M. Div.; Jerry A. Rankin, Clinton, M. Div.; William R. Stovall, Memphis (graduate of MC), M. Div.; Wm. Thad Webb, graduate of Mississippi College, M. Div.; Douglas L. Laird, Bassfield, Th.D.

## Off The Record

### A HORSE OF ANOTHER COLOR

A tramp knocked on the door of the inn known as George and the Dragon. The landlady opened the door and he requested a bit to eat. "No!" she replied, slamming the door in his face. A few minutes later the tramp knocked again. This time when she answered the door he requested permission to speak with George.

### CAPTIVE

On boarding a plane one stewardess was overheard telling another: "I still think we have the best job in town. Not only do we get to meet lots of men, but they're all strapped down."

### THE LATEST WORD

After many days of suffering with back trouble, the up-to-the-minute office-manager admitted he had found its cause.

Two weeks ago he'd had delivered some ultra-modern office furniture. And now he just discovered that all this time he's been sitting in the waste basket.

plan to live in Jerusalem when they return.

Dr. Samuel A. DeBord, an associate secretary for missionary personnel for the Foreign Mission Board, asked the trainees Sunday morning, "Are you real or synthetic?" He summarized the essence of Christian mission to give you a reservoir from which you can draw for two years." (Dr. Nelson is also one of the Board's associate secretaries for missionary personnel.)